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Drizzling Rains Bring Relief to Texas Farm Lands

COLD WAVE DRIVING TO THE FAR SOUTHWEST

Many Wells Expected In Almost Momentarily In Field

SOUTHWEST PART OF STATE SEES SLOW DRIZZLE AND RAIN

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 23.—Drizzling rains throughout Monday night and rising temperatures were slowly bringing relief to Southeast Texas after one of the worst storms ever known here.

The list of casualties from the storm was raised to two Monday with the finding of the body of Press Buntley, 27, negro, frozen to death in an open field near Clauine, Texas, Friday. The body of a white man was found Sunday in a ditch near Eagle Lake, Texas.

Six men who left Houston Thursday on a hunting trip were located Monday afternoon stranded on a sand bar several miles out in Galveston Bay. They had suffered from exposure and lack of food.

Damage in this section will reach $1,000,000, it is estimated. Damage in Houston proper was placed at $500,000. Thousands of cattle have been starved or frozen to death and citrus trees, heavily laden with fruit, were destroyed, it is reported by travelers reaching Houston.

Hundreds of cattle were saved by brush fires built about them as they huddled in droves of several hundred head, according to the reports.

Icicles hung from the eaves for the first time in the history of the Rio Grande Valley, heart of the fruit growing industry. Heavy losses are inevitable in the valley, it is said.

Blackmailer May Use Another Name "To Make Good"

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—After he gets out of jail, Bern Sirio, gangling, tow-headed Finnish youth from Fresno, Cal., who followed the sea until the bright idea came to him of blackfailing some of New York's first families, probably will try some other means of livelihood.

Young Sirio's dreams of wealth were rudely shattered last night, just when he though he had his hands on a package containing $50,000. More detectives than he ever dreamed of, hit him from all sides at once and before he knew it, he was blubbering a confession at police headquarters.

The youth, who gave his age as 20, had written letters to Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and Leonard Kip-Rhinelander, asking $50,000 and $20,000 respectively. He signed himself "Mr. Edmund Harrisburg, Hotel Biltmore," and directed that the money be brought to him in Battery Park.

Wortham Churches Open During Cold To The Shelterless

Wortham reports intense suffering among those without adequate shelter there during the late freeze. To give relief, the churches of that city started up their fires Saturday and seeing the needy "took them in." Many accepted the hospitality and entered these havens with thanksgiving in their hearts.

NO PARDONS TO BE ISSUED BY GOVERNOR

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 23.—Hopes of prisoners in the state penal institutions for Christmas clemency were abandoned today when the governor's office announced that no holiday pardons will be granted. Likewise the state will have to dispense with the usual proclamation. The governor overlooked it until too late for its preparation, due to a rush of business.

Waco Y. M. B. L. Is Interested In The Wortham District

WACO, Dec. 23.—A committee which stands ready to render any aid and further any project of interest to the business men of Waco arising from the discovery of oil at Wortham has been named by the C. of C. Y. M. B. L. of Waco.

This committee is E. C. Barnett, C. M. Thompson and Tom Wolfe. The committee stands ready to act if anything relating to the Wortham field comes up which needs such a committee.

A committee composed of C. F. Dumas, Alex Sanger, W. W. Namon and J. B. Fisher has been named by the C. of C. Y. M. B. L. to aid Wirt Franklin of Ardmore, Okla., and C. J. Cly of Ohio to get water with which to drill for oil near Axtell.

Mr. Cly already has a well under the drill, and there is much interest in the operations in that field. The Franklin interests, represented by Dan Tudor, plan to get busy again near Axtell in January of 1925, but the question of getting water with which to drill is one of much concern as a great deal is required.

Slow Rain Begins To Fall In Area After Late Freeze

On the heels of the breaking up of the intense cold spell over hanging clouds this morning promised rains and within a short while a slow drizzle started. The ground is being thoroughly saturated with the needed moisture and if followed by a rain of larger proportions will soon be seeking the low levels and filling up surface storage for field operations in the Wortham district. In the meanwhile, the roads are slippery and the fields are getting muddy, slowing up progress and work to some extent. Great caution is urged to avoid accidents in traffic and travel.

The rains will be welcomed by the oil fraternity generally as numerous operations are standing still, pending a more plentiful water supply.

Many operators have surface tanks which will be replenished by the waterfall, if it continues any length of time.

The Humphreys Boyd Oil Company leads in this, having six separate and large reservoirs to draw upon in cases of necessity in its gigantic drilling program. Dams started a week ago have been completed by this time and will impound a vast amount of water for field purposes.

The rainy season has been late in coming this Fall and Winter and it may be that it has now set in. Seldom has the wet weather been this late in the year coming on.

Chas. Green Dead Funeral Tuesday

Chas. Green, for many years a prominent citizen and business man of Mexia, who left here several years ago, died at his home in Denison, Monday, December 22, aged 81 years.

The funeral was conducted here Tuesday morning from the funeral home of the John R. Corley company on East Carthage street under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, of which he was a long time member, with Past Master J. D. Arrington presiding.

Following Masons acted as pall bearers:

Julius Nussbaum Hugh Freeman, Berry De Long, Rod Fielder Tom Denning, Arvin Epperson.

Following children of deceased were present for the funeral:

Mrs. G. Wolfe, of Denison; Mrs. Thos. J. Grace of McAllister, Okla.; Mrs. I. Lawrence, of Denison; Mrs. Louis Schlosburg of Dallas; Herbert Green of Dalla[illegible]

Barking of Dog Prevents Escape Of Mail Bandit

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—The barking of "Puff," an airedale dog belonging to Sheriff Daniel Maher prevented the escape of Fred Poffenbarger and Keith Collins, Iowa mail bandits, from the Wyandotte county jail last night. The two men, held in connection with a $3,000,000 Council Bluffs, Iowa, mail robber yin 1920, had burrowed almost through the outer wall of the jail when the dog noticed the hole.

Sheriff Maher, attracted by the dog's barking and scratching at a certain place in the jail wall, investigated and found the bricks loosened, apparently the two bandits, with other prisoners, had planned to escape last night.

AMERICAN THOUGHT DEAD IS ALIVE IN FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 23.—George K. McFillan, American whom police feared had been murdered, is alive in Harve, dispatches said. It was feared that it was McFillan's dismembered body was found strewn thru the Apache quarter here.

Gift of $25,000 Is Made by Oil Man For Okla. Stadium

NORMAN, Okla., Dec. 23.—Oklahoma's campaign for a $1,000,000 memorial stadium and union building on the Sooner campus was given an added impetus this week when Frank Buttram, '10, millionaire oil man and member of the university board of regents, pledged $25,000 toward the fund. Students and faculty members had previously pledged $203,000 and alumnui solicitors report the total well above the $300,000 mark.

Stadium plans call for double-deck steel and concrete sections on each side of the present oval on Owen Field, with a total seating capacity of 43,000. Legislative appropriation will be sought for a three-story gymnasium to close the northern end of the oval, while the southern end will be left open.

The construction of the stadium will place Oklahoma on a par with the larger schools of the Missouri Valley.

Treating Plants Not Running Full Blast Since Snap

Operations in the old proven area of the Mexia oil field are expected to return to normal, weather conditions being favorable, within the next few days at least. The freeze tied up practically every well in the field. Since the thaw the pumps have resumed but the treating plants have not as a whole gotten back to work. In the meantime the production is being sent to lease storage.

Fascisti Editor Given 3 Months

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The Fascist Editor Rothardt, today was sentenced to three months in prison for libelling President Ebert. The court held that libel had been committed but disagreed with the State's attorney's proposal for a six months' prison sentence.

The defendant must pay the costs and President Ebert is entitled to compel the editor to publish the verdict.

Thus collapsed the junker Fascisti plot to villify Ebert, charge him with treason and comple him to relinquish the presidency.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Cloudy, rain and rising temperature.

SEVERAL DRILL'NG IN TODAY WHILE SLOW DRIZZLE COMES DOWN

Strube and Strube Lindley 1 is one of the wells now drilling in hourly expected to be added to the production column. Drilling in began immediately following the thawing of ice in the frozen district. It is looked upon as certain for production of gusher proportions.

The Bounds 2 of the Pure Oil Company, Northwest of the Bounds 1 of the company which came in for 200 barrels hourly Monday afternoon is also nearing the completion point.

The Rio Bravo H. & T. C. 1 is also drilling in.

The Humble Oil and Refining Company's Dodd 1 is at Woodbine sand depths and is in the group of expected completions for the week.

The Humphreys Boyd Oil Company also will likely add a couple of producers before the week is up, on the Simmons and Ferguson tracts.

Moss and Keeling Simmons 1, in the heart of the proven gusher area barring mishaps, will swell production figures before the week is up.

The Kirby Wright 1 and2 are two other wells of that company being watched closely, now down almost to completion depths.

The Humble Company has two Crouch wells just about ready to be completed, the Crouch 1A, drilling in and the Crouch 2A.

Negro Misses Fame By Narrow Margin

A negro missed fame here recently only by getting away before his name was learned.

He was crossing the street near the H. & T. C. railroad intersection with Main Street, when a Ford bore down upon him, causing him to waver from side to side in playing hide and seek to get out of the way of the equally flustrated driver.

Finally when all efforts of both the autoists and the colored pedestrian had failed, the Ford literally scooped him up on its body, resulting in the caving in of the hood of the car, the breaking of both glasses of the windshield and tearing off the top. In the emergency the driver put on the brakes and the car swerved down the railroad tracks about fifty feet, carrying the negro along with it.

It didn't hurt the negro. He brushed his clothes and went on about his business.

SMITH EDWARDS 1 MAKING OVER 10,000 BBLS. DAILY

The E. L. Smith Oil Company's Edwards 1, south offset gusher to the Atlantic, Humphreys Boyd, Penn et al McCorkle 1, is today making at the rate of approximately 10,000 barrels every twenty four hours. The Company's Beall 1 is making around 3500 barrels, giving this company second place in the Wortham field daily production report.

The Edwards 1 gusher of the company was located by W. A. Reiter of Foster-Reiter Company. Two other wells are being drilled by the E. L. Smith Company on its ten acre block south of the McCorkle acreage. Also it has two wells being drilled on the Beall tract.

Since the coming in Monday of the Pure Oil Company Bounds 1 and the promise of early production in the Pure Bounds 2, the drilling campaign is going on with renewed vigor North and on the West side of the X-All highway.

SABRE SLAYER HELD DESPITE FATHER'S PLEA.

GEORGE SHAW, MRS. H. H. BRADY & BRUCE A. SHAW

George Shaw, of Oak Park, Ill., fashionable suburb of Chicago, has been charged with the murder of his wealthy father, Bruce A. Shaw, inventor and author, slain with a sabre while the son was gin-mad, according to police. Mrs. Hazel Howard Brady, divorcee, whom younger Shaw took home with him after a drunken orgy at a roadhouse, police allege, testified at the inquest. Bruce Shaw was attacked after he upbraided his son. With his last breath he pleaded for his son, who, he said, had been shell-shocked in France and was not accountable for his murderous impulses.

CITY SANITARY DEPARTMENT IS WORKING FOR BETTER CITY

Dr. W. R. Hodges, city sanitation officer, reports conditions very gratifying in dairies serving Mexia and in meat markets and c[illegible]. He states that the cafes are ha[illegible] a heavy volume of business and four or five have been added since Thanksgiving day. All are giving appreciated cooperation in safeguarding public health. More attention is being paid by local business men to alleys and consdiering the rush of additional thousands here daily, the city is making a good impression on the passerby as well as upon the new arrival locating here.

Dr. Hodges urges that eternal vigilance and a lot of elbow grease are essential to a clean city and prescribes it daily for citizens to follow, in the business district and in the home areas.

No epidemics are now here and with conditions kept in a better state constantly, the health of the community may be good hereafter, as it has in the past.

The city health department is being praised for its excellent service. Dr. Hodges is devoting night and day in the effort to make this a better place in which to live.

COLD SPELL GIVES SAM WERNER A BROKEN TOE

The only casualty of the recent cold spell which has been run down for a fact, out of all the rumors rampant in the community, occurred to Sam B. Werner, T. & B. V. Commercial Agent here. During the freeze his water connections at his home here froze up and while he was serving as a substitute plumber around the bath tub, it is reported an icicle fell on one of his toes causing it (the toe) to break. At any rate he is able to be up on crutches today.

PATIENTS GETTING ALONG NICELY NOW

Patients in the Brown Hospital in Mexia are reported getting along fine today. None are in serious condition, it is understand. Mr. Stewart of Warren, Arkansas, who was hit by an auto last week and whose identity was not then known, is slowly improving and is now thought to be out of danger.

ELKS OF MEXIA GIVE $200.00 TO CHARITY CAUSE

The Salvation Army corps here will give its Christmas tree Christmas night at the Central Presbyterian church. Envoy Hamilton reports gifts are already coming in to be placed on the tree, later to gladden the hearts of many a boy and girl.

To help in spreading good will and Christmas cheer, the Mexia Elks Club, one of the livest orders of Elks in the United States, has tendered $200 for the cause, which the Salvation Army will use to the very best advantage. The envoy expresses deep appreciation to the Elks for this munificient gift. He also urges all clubs and individuals who are to place something on the tree to see him or phone him as quickly as possible. This will help him in the completion of arrangements on Christmas eve. The Army's telephone number is 227W and the headquarters are on the southeast corner of Canton and Hopkins.

Those desiring Christmas dinner baskets are urged to see Envoy Hamilton at once and get an order for their basket.

The kettles and boxes are yet out at prominent downtown corners for the taking up of all street collections.

Widow Announces To Succeed Her Husband in House

[By United Press]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Julius Kahn, widow of the late congressman, announced today that she would seek election to complete her husband's unexpired term and serve in the new congress to which he was elected November 4. Mrs. Kahn is expected to be unopposed.

TURKEYS UP.

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Christmas turkey prices soared here today despite the embargo on live poultry in the East. Instead of causing the price to drop, the embargo apparently has had a stimulating effect and dressed turkeys were quoted at 50¢ a pound here today.

SNOW IS COMING DOWN IN PARTS OF S'WEST TODAY

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Another cold wave is on the way, the weather bureau warned today. The latest wave is pushing southward from Alaska and is now in Canadian northwest. Snow is falling over a considerable section of the country. The principal disturbance is centered over the far southwest. Heavy snow is reported in the Rocky Mountain region.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Snow which began failing shortly after midnight continued over a wide area in the southwest early today with no signs of an immediate letup. Nearly two inches had fallen here this morning. A similar fall was reported from Kansas and Missouri points.

Grass Widow Is Offering Large Lump Of Bonds

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick of Chicago, daughter of John D. Rockefeller and divorced wife of Harold McCormick, is offering $1,337,500 bonds in the investment market today.

The bonds are based on the Edith Rockefeller McCormick Trust, established at the time she won her divorce. McCormick later married Ganna Walska, an opera singer.

The purpose of the bond offering was not made public. Neither is it known why any additional funds were necessary for the trust.

Christmas Air Mail Is Started

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The Christmas air mail carried on today, while a double investigation was started to place the blame for the fatal crash of Charles Gilbert's air mail plane at Kanesville, Ill., sixty miles west of here. Gilbert, a winged Santa Claus of the night mail, leaped to his death while flying through a snow storm from Chicago to Omaha with a packet of Christmas mail.

A preliminary investigation was made by the coroner at Geneva, Ill., who stated Gilbert apparently fell to the earth from a height of 1500 feet.

Arrangements are being made to take the body to Plainsville, Kas., for burial. Gilbert's parents reside there.

Murder Case Is Before the Jury

AMARILLO, Texas, Dec. 23.—Fate of Former District Attorney E. T. Miller and Mrs. Ruth Hobart, tried for the alleged killing of Mrs. Hobart's husband, E. W. Hobart, early this year, was in the hands of a jury today.

Opposing counsel completed final argument late yesterday. The court read his charge and the jury retired. An early verdict was looked for.

Hobart was shot to death. His body was found by two young women on the outskirts of Amarillo.

MANY GUESTS OF CITY HALL DURING FREEZE

Chief of Police Albert Mace had plenty of guests at the City Hall during the recent freeze. He purchased a big pile of comforts used by those who sought shelter from the Norther in the big room adjoining Mayor Ernest Watson's office. A big fire was kept going and the scores who took advantage of the city's hospitality have nothing but good words for Mexia.

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SENATE PUSHING MEASURE OVER PUBLISHERS PROTESTS

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Senate postal salaries increase committee today declined to delay hearings on the hill which is being speeded through the Senate to replace the measure that President Coolidge vetoed. The plea of American Newspaper Publishers Association the hearings be postponed to give the organization an opportunity to present a protest was rejected as the hearings opened. Chairman Moses announced that it was the intention of leaders to force through the new Sterling bill in preference to the vetoed measure. The Publishers Association protested, complaining that while the Postoffice Department two years to prepare its side of the case, the publishers would be allowed less than a week to prepare an answer.

WEDNESDAY'S FIVE BEST RADIO FEATURES

WJJ, New York (455-m) WGY, Schenectady (380-m) and WRC, Washington (469-m) 3 p. m. (EST) Services from Trinity Church, New York.

WLW, Cincinnati (423-m) KSD, St. Louise (545-m) WCAP, Washington, (469-m) midnight (CST) Midnight mass.

WWJ, Detroit (517.m) 11 p. m. (EST) Christmas carol service from St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral.

KPO, San Francisco (423-m) 8 p. m. (PCST) Christmas carols by Trinity choir.

WMAQ, Chicago (447.5-m) 9 p. m. (CST) WMAQ Players in Dickens Christmas carol.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 19.—All Houston shivered this morning as the mercury dipped 17 degrees to 33 above between 1 o'clock and 7 o'clock this morning. Local Weather Bureau officials predicted a drop freezing during the day.

The sudden drop was ushered in by a heavy rain which early this morning had all but turned to sleet.

SPORT TABS.

[By United Press]

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Tommy O'Brien, of Milwaukee, won the decision from Johnny Lombardo, the Philadelphia lightweight in a fast 10-round bout at the Rink Sporting Club.

NEW YORK—Examination of the judges votes that gave Eddie (Cannon Ball) Martin the world's bantam weight champion in his bout with Abe Goldstein Friday night showed that two declared in favor of Martin and two decided it was a draw.

NEW YORK—The 10-round bout between Mike McTigue, light-heavyweight champion and Young Marullo, was postponed last night because of inclement weather and will be fought Jan. 19.

NEW YORK—The Yankees will play their customary long training schedule on the way back from Florida in March. Twenty-five games have been scheduled, 18 with the Brooklyn Robins.

CHICAGO—The world's 18.2 balk line billiard championship will be held at the Congress hotel here Feb. 23, to March 4, the Brunswicke-Balke-Collender Company announced.

PRINCETON, N. J.—Bill Roper, head football coach of Princeton since the war, will continue to direct the destinies of the Tiger gridiron squad, the board of athletic control announced. Roper had received at lease three offers from other universities.

DALLAS, Texas.—Doc Stewart's Texas Longhorns play Dallas Y. M. H. A. here tonight. Tomorrow night the Longhorns meet Frank Howell's strong Boethian five here.

DALLAS—Ivan Pontonoff, Russian grappler, meets Ernest Glover, light heavyweight champion of the south, in straight falls here tonight.

JACKSON HOME NEARS COMPLETION IN CITY

The lovely home of Mrs. E. B. Jackson on the Southeast corner of Commerce and Kaufman Street is rapidly nearing completion. It is one of the imposing homes of the city, representing the thoughtful planning of Mrs. Jackson, and a charming attraction in that part of the city.

NO ROTARY PROGRAM CHRISTMAS WEEK

Owing to this being Christmas week, the Mexia Rotary club will not hold its weekly luncheon as usual. Next week the sessions will be resumed in the basement of the Methodist church, served by the ladies of the congregation, as heretofore. This announcement was made last week when the Lions and the Rotarians held their joint meeting.

Juniors, remember the Christmas tree Tuesday night at the First Baptist Church, 7:30. Come, bring your package.

MEN AND WOMEN IN NEWS SPOTLIGHT.

Above: MRS. CLYDE BYFIELD & MRS. WOODROW WILSON
Below: SIR BERTRAM HAY & COL. GEORGE HARVEY

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, widow of the War President, presented a pathetic figure when she attended memorial services for Mr. Wilson in the hall of the House of Representatives in Washington. A "confidence man" has duped men and women of many thousand dollars in New York City by posing as Colonel George Harvey, former American Ambassador to England and now editor of a Washington newspaper. Mrs. Clyde Byfield has been granted a new trial by Atlanta, Ga., courts of her $100,000 suit against Walter S. Chandler, son of the Coca Cola King, whom she charged with attacking her on board the liner Berengaria on the way to Europe two years ago. Sir Bertram F. Hay has completed his last voyage as master of the liner Majestic and retired to become a farmer in England.

Speed at Wortham Holds Attention of The Entire Nation

The speed with which the Wortham oil field is being drilled is attracting the eyes of the nation. Prominent oil men from all over the continent are coming here constantly to see the spectacular activity. Also, practically all leading oil journals of the Mid Continent and representatives of great newspapers in the East are here daily to keep in touch with the situation. Afetr the holidays the visitors are expected to increase.

It is Mexia's opportunit to get before the capitalists of the continent. With Colonel A. E. Humphreys, an international figure in the oil world, will return after January the second, a large party of Denver, W. Virginia and New York oil men and financiers.

News Classified Ads get results.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 18.—Police today were seeking two negro women who last night held up and stabbed E. B. Carsaway, a railroad man, and left him lying in the yard surrounding St. Mathew's Cathedral. Gassaway was stabbed in the back, he told police. Two negro women, he said, rifled his clothing, then dragged him to the church yard and fled.

IF SKIN BREAKS OUT AND ITCHES APPLY SULPHUR

Just the moment you apply Mentho-Sulphur to an itching, burning or broken out skin, the itching stops and healing begins, says a noted skin specialist. This sulphur preparation, made into a pleasant cold cream, gives such a quick relief, even to fiery eczema, that nothing has ever been found to take its place.

Because of its germ-destroying properties, it quickly subdues the itching, cools the irritation and heals the eczema right up, leaving a clear, smooth skin in place of ugly eruptions, rash, pimples or roughness.

You do not have to wait for improvement. It quickly shows. You can get a little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur at any drug store.

Wishing for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

R. A. (DICK) WAGNER CO.

As we once more approach the day of "Peace on Earth and good will toward men" and with another mile post in sight and another year beckoning us with its hopes and opportunities, we pause a moment to reflect upon the pleasant relations of the year about to close and recount the blessings that have been ours to enjoy. For patronage of our friends and customers, we are sincerely grateful, but above and beyond this is our deep appreciation and most profound gratitude for your good will and friendship—for it's these we prize more highly than dollars and cents.

In reaffirming our Christmas wishes for you, may we express a deep desire that those qualities born of the Bethlehem Spirit may characterize our association with you through the coming year.

Earnestly wishing for you and yours, all the joys of Christmas and a New Year filled with Happiness and Prosperity, we are,

Cordially yours,

Berry-Barnett Grocery Company

Studebaker

Mexia, Texas,
December 23rd, 1924.

To Our Friends:

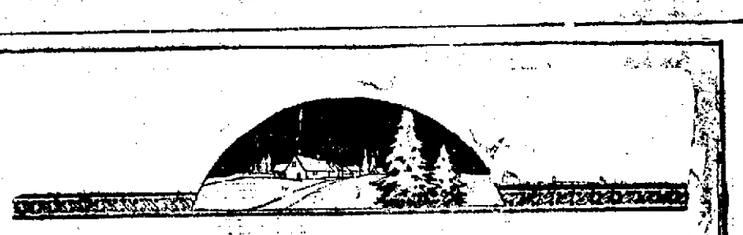
We seem too busy every day
To say the things we want to say
Our deepest thoughts we seem to hide,
Until we reach the Christmas-tide
'Tis then we send to friends again
In happy words the Old Refrain—
"A Very Merry Christmas."

We're always glad when Christmas-time comes 'round again. For it gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation for your good will and friendship, an dto thank you for the business you have sent our way in the past.

May this Christmas bring you all the many things your heart desires, and the New Year prover a full twelve-months of Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

Mexia Motor Car Company, Inc.



When blows the wintry wind
May thy restless spirit find
Peace and joy of Christmastide
That will aye with thee abide

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LONDON CONSOLE

In late years has come a desire for finer designs at popular prices, which we have met with this charming London Console. Brown mahogany finish.

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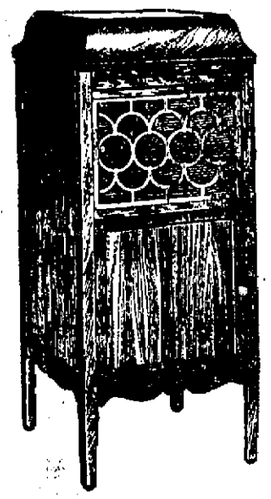

LONDON UPRIGHT

Here is a cabinet in brown mahogany finish that will grace any living room. And, please observe the price.

$100

Make your Christmas happiness complete!

BRING music into your home, to give you pleasure and inspiration not only at Christmas time, but for years to come.

Enjoy, at your own fireside, the glorious voices of the world's great singers—hear the matchless performance of Spalding and Rachmaninoff—or, in lighter vein, dance to the music of famous orchestras.

Only through the New Edison can you secure utmost phonograph enjoyment—for the New Edison is the only phonograph which dares comparison with the living artist.

You can easily prove this for yourself—hear the New Edison in side-by-side comparison with any other phonograph—leave the decision to your own ears. That is the only test that is fair to you—the test that assures your lasting satisfaction.

Come in today and hear Edison's miracle phonograph—then select, from the wide variety of beautiful cabinets, the New Edison model you wish delivered on Christmas Eve. The Edison Budget Plan makes purchase easy—you pay while you play!

Come in today and spend an hour with the New Edison.

HEPPELWHITE

This model will appeal to all admirers of Heppelwhite furniture. In mahogany or oak. Fumed or golden.

$145

CHIPPENDALE CONSOLE

This model reflects the noteworthy qualities of Chippendale furniture; massive in design without sacrifice of grace and beauty. Brown mahogany.

$295

DIAMOND JEWELRY CO.
103 S. Sherman St.

CHIPPENDALE
(*Upright*)

This model faithfully reflects the formal grace of old Colonial days. In mahogany or quarter-sawed white oak. Fumed or golden.

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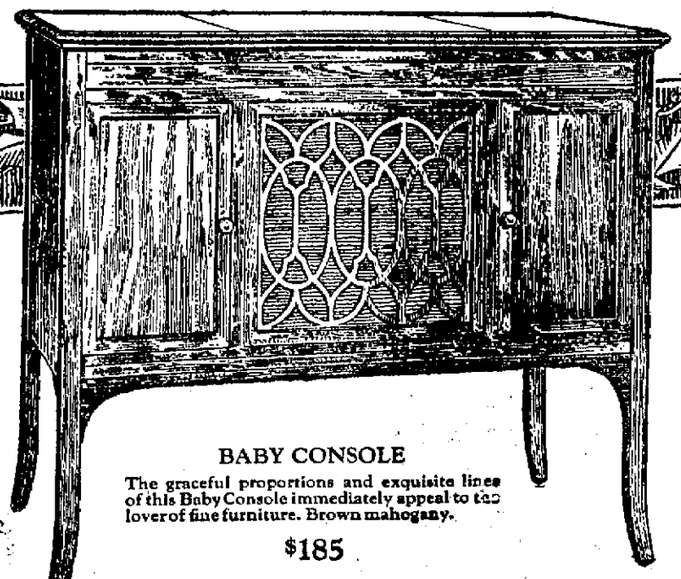
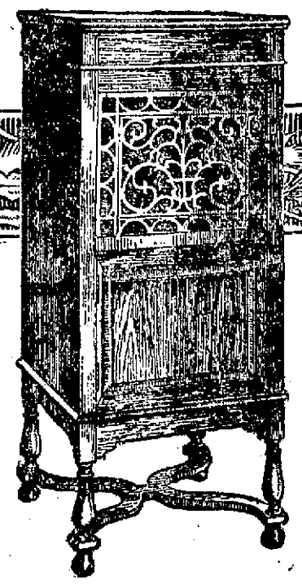


BABY CONSOLE

The graceful proportions and exquisite lines of this Baby Console immediately appeal to the lover of fine furniture. Brown mahogany.

$185



SHERATON
(*Sans Inlay*)

Here we have copied the exquisite lines of our Inlaid Sheraton and produced a slightly smaller model without inlay. Mahogany or quarter-sawed white oak, fumed or golden.

$200

WILLIAM AND MARY
(*Upright*)

The William and Mary case created for this model charmingly expresses the grace and delicacy characteristic of bygone days. Mahogany only.

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CHRISTMAS GIVING

Let the spirit of giving, which reaches its very finest expression durin the Christmas season be influenced by the thoughtful consideration of the best interests of others, as well as inspired by the pleasure of making them happy with an unexpected gift. Nothing can combine so well the generous spirit of giving with the satisfaction of having contributed to the benefit of others, as remembering them with gifts of lasting value.

Gifts that stimulate personal indenendence are the best.

When the Master, in whose memory and in whose honor, the Christmas season is kept, walked among men in the humble guise of the Lowly Nazarene, he taght both by precept and by example a system of simplicity in living well worth following today. He warned the people against making great feasts and living for show.

Certainly the life of Jesus was one of sanity, spirituality and thrift. The wholesale profligacy and sinful waste often indulged in is contrary to all His teachings and certainly menacious to mankind.

Let us give serious thoughts to our gifts this year.

Never was America so much in need of thrift; never were the young so much in need of sound ideals and wholesome habits.

There are many men who give beyond their means. They indulge in Christmas festivities to such an extent that New Years finds them in debt.

All should realize that a family is better if it is governed by sanity, spirituality and thrift, and looking far ahead should give those things which are of lasting benefit. Parents who act thus wise will live to see the time come when their children will rise up and call them ble sed and will have that greater joy of being able to look upon them and call them blessed.

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SUPERPOWER IN RADIO

The nation is awaiting the granting of the first license for the use of 5000 watts by a radio broadcasting station. A limit of 1000 watts has been maintained heretofore.

The principal objection advanced in opposition to superpower stations has been that they will cause interference, and that lon-distance reception in the vicinity of the stations using from 1500 to 5000 watts will be difficult. Against this point is the fact that many people who now have only the poorest sort of reception, since they live far from sending stations, will be able to hear the best of the programs from the larger cities. Static is one of the greatest interferences in radio reception, particularly during the warm months. Superpower by a greatly increased signal strength, will eliminate much of this.

Of course, interference should not be encouraged. However, this condition can be changed, and doubtlessly will be, and in the meantime the greatest service to the largest number of people should be encouraged in radio broadcasting. Listeners near superstations should remember that, even though they may be unable to cut through and get distant stations, some little farmhouse or lonely woodsman's cabin, miles away from anywhere, has a happy, eager group of listeners who are deeply grateful for the good that superpower has brought to them.

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INCREASING USE OF GAS

Demand for the securities of gas utilities is constantly increasing for private investment. One of the primary reasons for the selection of gas stocks is the outlook for constantly increasing consumption of gas.

Some years ago it was regarded as certain that electricity would replace gas as an illuminant to the detriment of gas companies. However, such has not been the case. While electricity has long ago replaced gas to a great extent for lightin purposes yet consumption of gas keeps mounting because gas is replacing coal as a fuel in the home and in industry. Tremendous increase in the use of gas in the industrial world is predicted for the next decade.

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THE EDITORIAL OF THE DAY

THE CHILD LABOR PROBLEM OF THE FARMER.

By ARTHUR CAPPER,
U. S. Senator From Kansas.

Industry is reaching out for farm children. Cotton mills, knitting mills, shoes factories, and garment factories are moving into the smaller cities and the country towns. Labor is "cheaper" in the country, because the potential "labor supply" is unorganized, and inexperienced in self-protection.

That is one phase of the "decentralization of industry" Henry Ford talks about.—and Mr. Ford is himself building factories in the country in order, he says, to utilize farm labor in the winter-time. The garment industries of New York are moving "upstate." The textile industries of New England are moving South.

How does this affect the farmer? It may bring markets nearer. But it is his children the factories are after. Does he realize what that means?

Child labor becomes the farmer's problem not with reference to the work of his own children on his own farm, but with reference to their work in the factory. Shall farm children work in factories without proper regulation? Or shall they be surrounded by the protection of limited hours and safe-guarded against industrial hazards? Shall the experience of industrial states and the resulting industrial laws be extended to the agricultural areas? Or shall the farm children be left at the mercy of newly arrived manufacturing interests seeking to use them as "cheap" labor in competition with the protected labor of other states or communities?

That this is one large aspect of the child labor problem in America today is clear from facts stated in a recent monthly summary of "The Agricultural Situation" issued by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Children under 10 years of age in farm communities, says C. J. Galpin, in charge of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, outnumber by 2,000 population equal to the total farm population. Mr. Galpin puts it this way:

"The farm population in round numbers approximate 30,000,000 persons. The urban population is close to 57,000,000 persons. Select now a representative number of cities whose combined population comes up to 30,000,000 and it will be found that there are 2,000,000 fewer children under ten years of age in these cities than in the whole farm population.

"What are some of the results which flow from this great disparity between farm life and city life? In the first place, every one will see that with 2,000,000 fewer producers than city industries in cities of an equal population, farming is carrying the burden of rearing and educating 2,000,000 more children—non-producers—than city industry. The full weight of this fact becomes apparent only when it is realized that the greater part of this human product is turned over at the producing age to the cities and to city industry, ready made, finished, educated. The farm people are feeding, clothing, carrying through the perils of infancy and childhood practically the equivalent of a small nation; then when this nation arrives at an age when it can be productive, turns it over as a free gift to urban industry."

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Thornton reports much damage to fall gardens and to oats on account of the recent freeze. The section was covered during the spell by a thin coat of sleet. No sunshine has followed the breaking up of the cold spell. The reports from Thornton are general for the south end of Limestone County.

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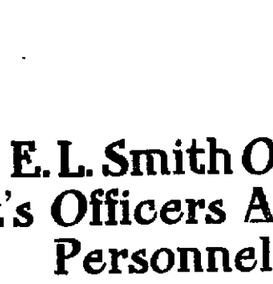

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Teachers Discount Pay Checks and Do Not Get Full Pay

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 23.—Texas has no right to expect its teachers to carry a burden of interest by discounting their pay checks. It is unfair for teachers to have to wait considerable periods before having the pay checks cashed, or to have to discount them for immediate cash. Authorities should not only be allowed but should be required to use their borrowing power in order to give teachers their full salary when due.

So declares Dr. George A. Works, director of the Texas School Survey, who states that it is an altogether too common thing in Texas for teachers to have to go to local banks or individuals and put up their salary checks as collateral or otherwise be at considerable expense to get ready cash. Thousands of dollars are lost to Texas teachers annually in this wise, bringing about a great degree of dissatisfaction on the part of the teachers who thus lose a part of their already meager earnings.

Negro and Mexican Schools.

District should not be free to use apportionments based on Mexican and negro scholastics without definitely caring for the education of these people, declares a second phase of the report. There is no uniform plan of educational practices in arranging for Mexican and negro scholastics, it was found, as individual districts within the same county varied their methods. Some provide adequately, levying a local tax in addition to the state apportionment—others the apportionments were used for the white schools.

Crime and poverty will follow such a policy of haphazzard treatment of these scholastics, thinks Dr. Works, who points out that the state as a whole must take the consequences flowing from the failure of many communities to provide adequate schools for all the children.

GOVERNMENT CANNOT COLLECT DEFICIENCY

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Filing of amended returns does not abrogate the five year statute of limitation in income taxes, the United States Board of Tax Appeals held today in declaring that the government is unable to collect $95,000 alleged deficiency of the National Refining Company of Cleveland. The limitation statute period started with the filing of the original return except when written agreement waiving provisions of the law is filed, the board ruled.

News Classified Ads get results.

Commission Will Decide Who Is Who as to Title

By PAUL W. WHITE,
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The status of Tom Gibbons, St. Paul lightweight in his quest for the title held by Mike McTigue, and disputed by Gibbons and Gene Tunney, will come before the New York State Boxing Commission today. Gibbons has filed a challenge with the board for bouts with either McTigue or Tunney.

The Commission already has taken notice of a challenge filed by Tunney and if McTigue should ever ask for a license in this State, it would be granted only with the provision that he fight Tunney in a decision bout.

McTigue is probably the most unpopulnr of any of the division champs The title he annexed on St Patrick's Day, 1922, by defeating Battling Siki in Dublin has never been defended against the best American light-heavies and pugilistic circles have long been calling for his blood.

The State Boxing Commission has taken cognizance of this sentiment and while powerless to assume jurisdiction over him, can place him "in bad standing," those boxers who do not meet him.

These have been several mystrious cancellations and postponements of bouts in which he was matched and it is thought likely the commission's influence has been exerted.

TO AVOID DUST ON PARTS OF FRESHLY PAINTED CAR

When the parts of a car are painted, it is inevitable but that some dust will settle on the surface before the paint has set. With the under coats, a rubbing down after each coat will remove such dust, but when a noticeable amount of dust settles on the finishing coat, the result is far from pleasing. One way to avoid some of this trouble is to place all the parts which are easily removable in such a position that the largest surface—or the most important surface—is held as nearly as possible in a vertical position. For instance, fenders and hoods should be stood on their edges, while headlamps should be held with their faces upward. In this manner, the dust which would otherwise settle on them is avoided to a great extent and the finish will be proportionately better. If a number of cloth shields, kept moist with water, are placed around the parts, they will absorb some of the dust which floats about in the air.—Automobile Digest.

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No. 19	Densn-Ft.W	3:55 a. m.
No. 17	Dallas-Ft.W	4:30 a. m.
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No. 31	Dallas	1:30 p. m.
No. 15	Dallas-Ft.W	3:31 p. m.
No. 33	Ennis	7:10 p. m.

South Bound.

No. 20	Houston	12:16 a. m.
No. 38	Austin-SA	12:21 a. m.
No. 18	Houston	1:37 a. m.
No. 34	From Ennis-Stp	7:15 a. m.
No. 32	From Dallas-Stp	10:08 a. m.
No. 16	Houstn-SA	11:55 a. m.

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345	From Navasota-stp	1:47 p. m.
346	For Navasota-Lv	7:00 a. m.

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No. 8 ..... 2:31 P. M.

South Bound.

No. 7 ..... 12:24 P. M.

SAM B. WERNER, Agt.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 19.—A charter was on file here today for the Capitol Oil Company, Inc., for $100,000.

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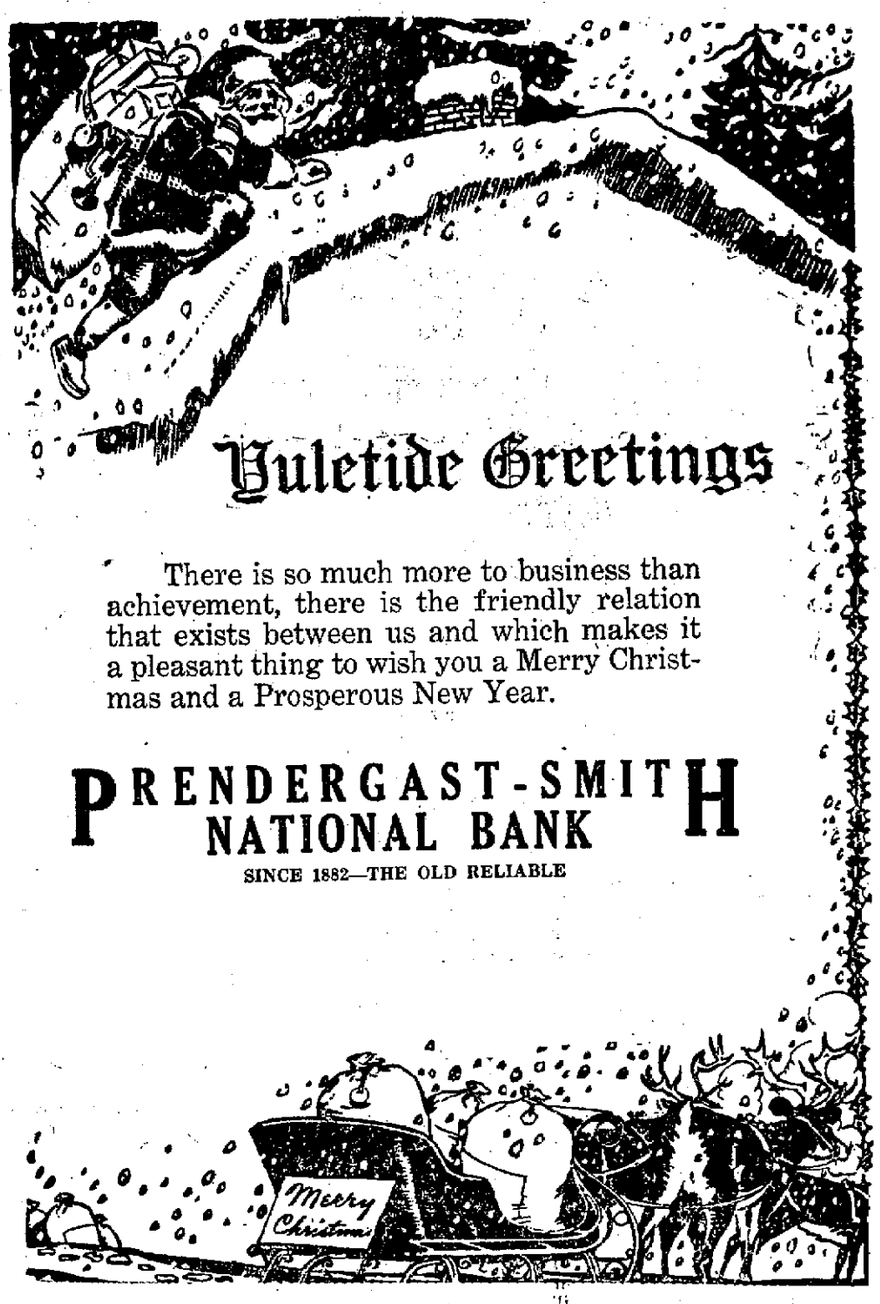
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Increase Shown In Late Report of Mid Continent

The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, North Texas, Central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended December 13 was 1,048,550 barrels as compared with 1,046,950 barrels for the preceding week an increase of 1,600 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas, heavy oil was 982,000 barrels, against 980,300 barrels, an increase of 1,700 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Gulf Coast and Southwest Texas fields was 132,150 barrels, as compared with 132,500 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 150 barrels.

The combined daily average gross production of the Southwest field was 1,181,000 barrels, as compared with 1,49,250 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 1,750 barrels.

Oklahoma-Kansas shows a daily average gross production of 615,600 barrels, an increase of 2,250 barrels; North Texas shows an increase of 1,300 barrels; Central Texas an increase of 2,550 barrels; North Louisiana a decrease of 3,000 barrels; and Arkansas a decrease of 600 barrels. In Oklahoma production of Burbank is shown as 70,850 barrels against 71,150 barrels; Tonkawa 105,150 barrels against 108,200 barrels; Cromwell 40,900 barrels against 45,050 barrels; Stroud 3,750 barrels against 3,400 barrels; Papoose 31,800 barrels against 29,150 barrels; and output of the Bristow pool was 29,150 barrels, against 30,350 barrels. The Mexia pool, Central Texas is reported at 25,800 barrels, against 25,400 barrels; Corsicana-Powell 64,150 barrels, against 68,200 barrels; Wortham 17,200 barrels, against 8,100 barrels; Huyaesville, North Louisiana, 15,950 barrels, against 15,100 barrels; Cotton Valley 7,050 barrels against 9,950 barrels; and Smackover, Arkansas, light 29,600 barrels, against 30,050 barrels, heavy 65,550 barrels against 66,050 barrels. In the Gulf Coast field Hull is reported at 16,100 barrels, against 16,500 barrels; West Columbia 13,500 barrels, against 13,200 barrels, and in the Southwest Texas field Luling is reported at 34,850 barrels, against 24,800 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Wyoming, Montana and Colorado fields was 84,300 barrels as compared with 89,050 barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 4,750 barrels. Salt Creek is reported at 54, 900 barrels against 57,900 barrels.

Oran Arrington is home from San Antonio to spend the holiday with his parents.

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The building is going up rapidly, the foundation having started at the beginning of the cold snap.

Mr. Wright states that he has not yet leased this building which will be modern in every respect.

It will be 25 by 115 feet.

J. C. Hodges has the contract and the building will be finished in January of the new year.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION MAY HOLD MEETING SUNDAY

A meeting of the officials of the Texas baseball is now expected to be held the latter part of this year. The meeting has not been officially called but according to a dispatch from Marlin will likely be held next Sunday.

Watch Your Daughter!

Dallas, Texas—"After I had the measles I had severe backaches and was very thin. I was all rundown and in a miserable condition. We had two doctors who did me no good. My mother, who had used Dr. Pierce's medicines in her family for years, gave me the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and after taking two bottles my backache stopped and now I am fat and well. I shall always praise Dr. Pierce's Medicine."—Miss Trixie Morrow, 1715 So. Lamar St.

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AUTHORITIES LOOKING FOR BANDITS IN W. TEXAS

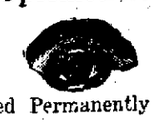
[By United Press]

EL PASO, Dec. 23.—Civil and military authorities today were searching for two men who held up and robbed Private Ralph E. Humphreys, Signal Corps, Fort Bliss, chloroformed him then poured acid on his face.

Humphreys probably will lose his sight, physicians said.

Officials expressed the belief a motive other than robbery was behind the attack.

DR. E. L. HARTLEY
Optometrist



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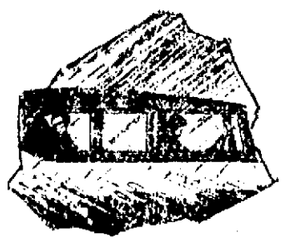

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Premiums Yet In Vogue in Oklahoma

In Oklahoma some of the larger independent producers still are storing much of their production rather than dispose of it to pipe line companies at the prevailing price level. Among these are the Amerada Petroleum Corporation, Pennok Oil, T. B. Slick, Tidal Oil, and others, although in some fields in the state, notably Cromwell, in Seminole County, the tankage of Amerada and Tidal are reported close to capacity. This withholding of crude from the open market has had a good effect on the demand for oil and will continue to have until such time as an advance is posted and then much of this accumulation will be disposed of.

Premiums in Oklahoma continue to be the vogue with a five or ten-cent boost reported now and then over the previous high mark. Crude is active in all fields and solicitation by buyers is becoming keener all the time with the Prairie and Sinclair taking the lead. Small independent refiners are finding it profitable to operate at the present crude market and these have injected a bit more competition in the scramble for new connections.

In Kansas, as in the past, when crude becomes more active, buyers are not displaying the excitement that attends solicitation in Oklahoma and other states in the Mid-Continent light oil area. Purchasers in the Sunflower state are active but premiums are not being paid generally, or at least there is little or no outward intimation that they are. Several Kansas refiners are known to be paying a bounty for Oklahoma crude. However, this is largely for Tonkawa and is being paid by refiners located at Arkansas City and other points near the Oklahoma line. Pipe line companies in the meantime are making arrangements for handling more oil in several sections of Oklahoma and aKnsas in anticipation of the spring demand for refined oils. The Pierce Petroleum Corporation has been negotiating for an interest in the Consolidated Pipe Line Company of Tulsa, with a gathering and transporting system in Tulsa, Osage, Okmulgee, and other counties in the state.

MAN CAUSE OF SISTERS FIGHTING

DALLAS, Dec. 223.—They were sisters but that didn't keep them from quarreling.

So Iora and Arabella, two dusky daughters of Dallas, selected a vacant lot and with each wielding a wicked knife, sought to settle the argument.

Police arrived on the scene and took both to the emergency hospital "It was a man," they said, with reference to the cause of the duel.

Declares He Has Proven Life After Death

M. CAMILLE FLAMMARION

M. Camille Flammarion, noted French astronomer and scientist, in his recently published book, "What Do We Know About the Hidden World," tells what, in his opinion, has been scientifically proved as to the existence of the soul after death. The soul, he asserts, exists entirely independent of the body, and is endowed with faculties not yet revealed.

Midnight Services To Be Held at St. Mary's Church

Following their usual custom, the Catholics of Mexia will begin the observance of the feast of Christmas with a high mass at St. Mary's Church on Christmas eve at midnight. Rev. J. H. Kelly, the pastor, will be the celebrant of the mass, to which the public is most cordially invited.

Constance Sieg's "Mass in B flat" arranged by Rosewig, has been selected by the choir for the occasion and the following musical program will be rendered:

1. O Holy Night, A. Adam, Mrs. John Lowery.
2. Kyrie Eleison (Lord Have Mercy).
3. Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory Be To God on High).
4. Gratias Agimus (Let Us Give Thanks) Mrs. Flynn.
5. Domine Deus (The Lord Our God), Mrs. Lowry, Mrs. Vanneman, Mr. Costello.
6. Credo (I Believe).
7. Et in Unum Dominum (And in One God) Mrs. Flynn.
8. Et Incarnatus Est (And He Was Made Man), Mrs. Lowery.
9. Et in Spiritum Sanctum(And in the Holy Ghost), Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Vanneman.
10. Offertory, Adeste Fideles (Come All Ye Faithful), Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Lowery, Mr. Hays assisted by the choir.
11. Sanctus, Sanctus,- Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy).
12. Benedictus Qui Venit (Blessed is He Who comes), Mr. Vanneman.
13. Agnus Dei (Lamb of God), Mrs. Lowery.
14. Silent Night, Holy Night, Mrs. Flynn.

Personnel of the choir: Sophranos, Mrs. John Lowery, Mrs. Thos. Flynn; altos, Mrs. R. Vinneman, Mrs. C. A. Puckett; tenors, Mr. Hays, Mr. Costello; bassos, Mr. M. L. McGee, Mr. R. B. Vanneman.

Organist, Miss Josie Lee Maddox.
Directress, Mrs. C. A. Puckett.

CLEVELAND SCHOOLS TO RUN POOLROOMS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—Cleveland school board will operate two poolrooms for young men, charging 2½ cents a cue, and will open two children's entertainment centers where films will be shown every Saturday at two cents admission.

Floyd A. Rowe, physical welfare director, plans to place two billiard tables in each of two school buildings. Movies will be shown in two other buildings.

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PRODUCTION MAY GO TO 100,000 BARRELS BY NEW YEARS

By the end of the month, the production in the Wortham field is expected to reach a daily total in excess of 100,000 barrels. This, of course, is based on water conditions. At least seventeen wells are expected to be added to the production column by that date and if they average as much as 3,000 barrels daily, the 100,000 mark will be reached. Already the field is yielding over 50,000 barrels daily from ten producers, everyone of which was listed as a gusher and yet flowing.

The producers are as follows:

The Humphreys Boyd N. B. Boyd 1, (Discovery well).

The Humphreys Boyd Simmons 1; Simmons 3 and Simmons 4. These four wells alone are producing approximately 25,000 barrels daily.

The Kirby Bounds 1.

The Smith Beall 1.

The Smith Edwards 1.

The Atlantic, Humphreys Boyd Penn et al McCorkle 1.

The Pure Bourds 1.

Mrs. J. K. Hughes Simmons 1.

On account of the production from the old Mexia pool having been cut down by the late freeze by at least 50,000 barrels already, no considerable gain is expected in Mid Continent drilling reports this week, which should for that long at least curtail the influence of the Wortham district on the crude market.

The drilling campaign now being waged is expected to reach its peak by the first of February, however, the indications are that there will still be wells drilling in the territory for several months to come. The peak in production is not expected for some sixty days yet.

The Humphreys Boyd Company is situated to some extent as was the Humphreys Company in the Mexia field. Its sixty or more wells now going up are offsets largely and after these have been drilled to the production levels and brought in, the company will yet have hundreds of acres in the proven territory which it can take more time to drill. On January 1, the Prairie Company is to pay the Humphreys Boyd company $1,000,000 on its contract to purchase 3,000,000 barrels of oil at $1.25, a contract involving $3,750,000. The chances now are that by that date, the company will have placed right around a million dollars worth of oil, at the posted figure.

The company is building rapidly on its tank farm and is expected to have additional 55s ready for the reception of additional crude for storage from day to day.

Before the week end, the company expects an addition of at least two more producers, which will give it six already in the field which Colonel Humphreys discovered the Friday before Thanksgiving but an area in which he has expressed an abiding confidence for four years.

GULF FERGUSON HITS STRONG GAS PRESSURE

The Gulf Ferguson deep test which hit a strong gas pressure at around 600 feet Monday has been mudded in and drilling continues. The gas pressure is understood to have been unusually heavy even for that district.

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Emerson Hough's companion novel to "The Covered Wagon." Filmed on a sweeping scale by the director of "Wanderer of the Wasteland."

Scientists Offers Suggestions As to Marriageable Age

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—If one does not want to runchances of being a moron ,one should arrange to be born to an elderly couple. And if you do arrange to be the offspring of persons well along in life your chances for greatness are excellent. This is the conclusion of Casper L. Redfield, Chicago scientist who today announced an educational campaign to have State Legislatures to enact laws prohibiting marriage under the age of 21.

In a statement to the United Press, Redfield said he had been making his investigations for almost fifty years and hopes that every State legislative body will enact laws against wedlock for miners.

"Last year there were 3,000 marriages of couples under 15 years of age," Redfield said. "From this class come the principal part of our criminals, paupers and prostitutes. In twelve States it is legal for 12 year old girls and 14 year old boys to marry.

"Chicago's crime wave would not have reached its present peak if marriage laws had been passed in Illinois twenty years ago."

To prove his theory that many of the most distinctive men of history were born of parents well along in years, Redfield names:

Sir Francis Bacon, Charles Darwin, James Watt, John Wesley, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Robert E. Lee, and Henry Ward Beecher.

"The investigation has brought out another geneological phenomenon," he declared. "The great aggressive war leaders have been the sons of young fathers, whose fathers before them were older men. Alexander The Great, Napoleon oBnaparte and U. S. Grant are among these."

In his research, Redfield has found that the eldest child is lighter in weight, dies at an earlier age and is more apt to become a criminal than any other children in a family.

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CHRISTMAS TREE TO BE GIVEN BY BAPTISTS

Christmas will be celebrated tonight at the First Baptist church when a Christmas tree will feature the social Christmas program being given there. Much interest is being taken in the event and despite the wet weather a large crowd is expected to attend.

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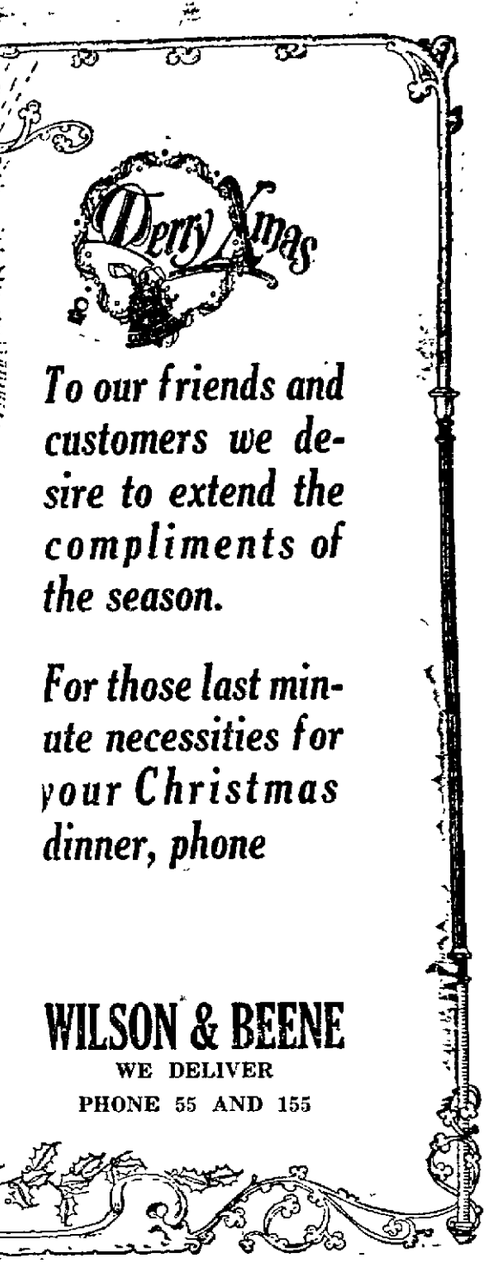

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Martino Knocks Goldstein Out Of Championship

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The lamentations, and "oy oy's" of Abe Abe Goldstein's loyal supporters still reverbrated up the East Side and echoed down the Ghetto today, for Abe's curly locks were knocked clean out, from underneath the bantamweight crown by a combinaton of little Eddie Martino of Brooklyn and one of the closest decisions in years.

Eddie, whose backers in the rough and tumble Gowanus section of Brooklyn have dubbed him "Cannon Ball," hammered and slammed Goldstein for fifteen furious rounds in their bout for the bantamweight championship of the world at the Madison Square Garden last night, but when it was all over, at least half the spectators, experts, sports writers and fighters, thot Martino had fallen just short of the mark. Abe himself patted his smaller opponent on the shoulder as Eddie turned away. Then came the referee's announcement that the winner—and new world's champ—was "Eddie" (Cannon Ball) Martino.

The rough, bouncing little Italian who comes from Terry McGovern's district over the birdge, has always had an ambition to emulate the "Terrible" one and his backers are wild with joy over his new title. Martino, or Martin, as he will call it, is a long ways from being a Terry McGovern. But he's a tough little nut at that.

Goldstein, who has held the bantam title only since March, was bitterly disappointed at losing it on a close decision. He pecked and jabbed at Martin throughout the bout and a good bit of the time, succeeded in holding his man at long rango. Abe was the cleverer of the two and outboxed Martin, who, if he earned the decsion, did so by the tigerish ferocity of his attack.

Lucky In Wall Street; Unlucky In Love Affair

[By United Press]

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 20.—Lucky in Wall street, unlucky at love.

Osborne H. Wood, son of the Governor-General of the Philippines, who came into prominence through his amazingly successful speculations conducted by cable from Manila a year ago, is to be sued for divorce by his wife, the latter confirmed today.

Moreover, in a statement not untinged with a little bitterness, Mrs. Wood said her young husband who is at present in France, "is not a success financially." And she even intimated she didn't believe he recently had "cleanned up $2,000,000," in the bull market because he had cabled her to send him $16,000.

"Of course, I did not do it," she added.

Mrs. Wood, who is at her father's home in Greenville, Del., said she and her husband had been separated for several months and "I shall start suit for divorce. I do not know where yet, nor do I know on what grounds."

The couple were married in Manila, April 2, 1922, and have two boys. The youngest child was born Nov. 6, this year.

Mrs. Wood, daughter of Henry B. Thompson, wealthy retired manufacturer, met young Wood in Manila while the latter was stationed in the Philippines as aide to his father, General Wood, who was Governor-General of the Islands.

After his marriage, Wood began "playing" the stock market and recently reports were circulated that his marital affairs were not as successful as his financial ones.

Mrs. Wood intimated that her husband's speculations were not as successful as reported from time to time.

Letter Takes 25 Years From Luzon to Beaumont, Tex.

[By United Press]

BEAUMONT, Dec. 23.—After 25 years a letter posted on the Island of Luzon, Philippine Islands, has been delivered.

On November 3, 1899, Lieutenant Dean Thompkins wrote the letter to B. B. Johnson, Beaumont, now county judge.

Since the letter was mailed the Philippines, torn by internal strife, and insurrection, have surrendered, the San Francisco earthquake occurred, Galveston was destroyed and a world war fought and won.

"Thompkins and I were bunkies when we were employed in Galveston," Judge Johnson said. "Where is he now? I don't know."

Dec. 22, 1924.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want totell you the things I would like best, for I have been as good as I knew how. I want a football, train and tracks, a gun, some fire works, fruit, and candy. My little neice, Patsy Thomas, wants a big mama doll that will open and shut here eyes and walk, doll buggy, stove and piano, also fruits, candy, nuts and fire works.

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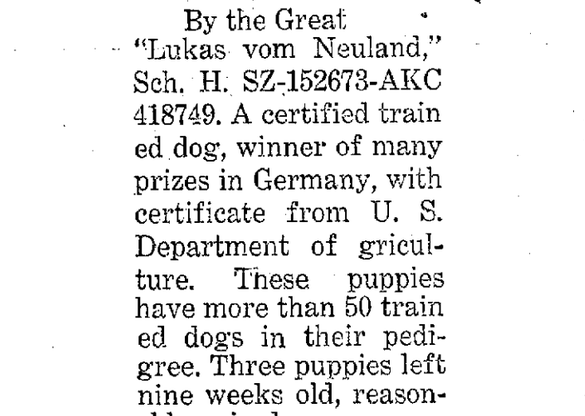

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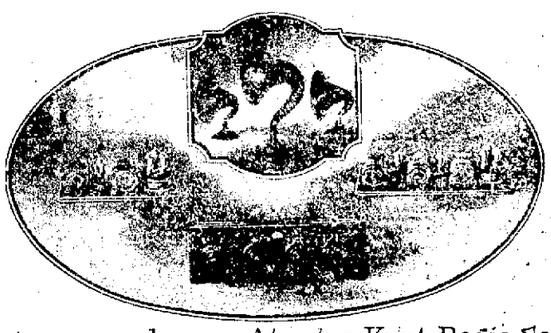

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Soldiers Loose Motor Car Assembly Test

One of the most interesting features of the Air Circus recently held at Crissey Field, California, was the contest between civilians and soldier mechanics in stripping army cars down to the bare frame and reassembling them.

The cars selected were two Dodge Brothers cars, standard equipment in the U. S. Army, built in 1917. The contest rules allowed ten men on each team, but the winning civilian crew—from the service station of the J. E. French Company, the San Francisco Dodge Brothers dealer—numbered only eight men and a foreman.

CARS DISMANTLED.

Each crew stripped its car right down to the bare frame. Engine, transmission, clutch, battery box, fuel tank, radiator, front axle, fenders, running boards, tires, springs and body were removed.

The civilian crew from the J. E. French Company took the lead from the start, dismantling the car in 16½ minutes.

In reassembling each crew put in a new engine, new rear axle, new front axle, new fenders and running boards new tires and new springs. Cotter pins were installed wherever required and lockwashers were used on al lother nuts. Inspectors watched each crew to see that every detail was performed in a workmanlike manner. Following the building up each car was driven across the finish line 200 yards away to demonstrate that it was in running condition. The car of the winning team passed the line 78 minutes after they started to disassamble it.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE.

"They knew their job and they did it," is the way Fred Ehlers, Jr., service manager for the San Francisco Dealer expressed himself.

"The fact that a team made up of men from an approved service station won this test so easily," says the local Dodge Brothers dealer, "is a clear demonstration of the advantage to owners of taking their cars to approved service stations.

"It is only natural that skilled workmen with labor saving tools and accustomed to servicing one make of car exclusively can be depended upon to make adjustments and repairs properly in less time than can mechanics outside of the approved service station."

S. M. U. Ends Meet Real Stars In The W. Va. Wesleyans

A comparison of end play between West Virginia Wesleyan's brilliant eleven and that of Southern Methodist University in forecasting the outcome of the New Year's battle at Fair Park Stadium in Dallas—East vs. Southwest—indicates that the Conference representatives stack up well indeed with Bob Higgins' Bobcats.

Wesleyan's ends are Bullman and Alvis, the former captain of the team with three years' experience, rated as an All-American star, the latter a good wing but a first year player from a small Ohio school. In reserve are Reiter and Brinkman, the latter off last year's squad.

S. M. has as regular ends Bedford and Henry and in reserve Wade, also used as a back-field sub. Bedford is an All-Conference man.

Higgins and Miller evidently like a certain type of end as the poundage runs about the same. There is not three pounds difference between the regulars and Reiter, the lightst, is a 161-pounder.

The Wesleyan wings are smashing types, fast, hard tacklers, capable at pass receiving. But if Wesleyan's ends have not been run successfully this year, neither have S. M. U's to any appreciable extent.

Certainly offensive brilliance this year on the part of any player can not outshine that of Bedford who has been the pass receiver in the Southwest, a good interference pointer, and an all-round star for the team.

Henry has been overshadowed by Bedford but the big fellow is a very consistent player's fair receiver, as fast as Bedford in covering punts, a fine tackler, and an excellent cog in the Mustang style of play. Nor is any power lost if Wade goes to an end, as this youngster from Ferris has proven himself a first class star.

The break in cold weather in Dallas is expected this week and the New Year's game should be played in cold but not icy weather. Seat sale at the Adolphus Pharmacy in Dallas continues to go along at a blithe rate and a big crowd is expected to witness the game.

Miss Ora Lee Wylie, who was operated on for appendicitis at Dr. Brown's Hospital Monday night is doing nicely.

Waxahachie In Grip Clockitis

[By United Press]

WAXAHACHIE, Dec. 23.—"Clockitis" has descended upon Waxahachie and threatens to stop every clock in town.

Telephone operators, judging by the number of "time please" queries they receive, agree unanimously that the epidemic is reaching appalling proportions.

Local jewelers say they have so many busted clocks they can't begin to repair them. The town clock, in its niche in the courthouse, is the only one in town not afflicted but the citizenry gazes up intermittently to see whether ithas become a victim.

Dr. Billy Buckner arrived from Dallas Monday night to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buckner.

TRIES TO BEAT ENGINE; ENGINE WINS; MAN HURT

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 23.—Carroll W. Morrisey, seventy, was struck by a Michigan Central train at a crossing.

It is believed he tried to dodge across the street ahead of the engine.

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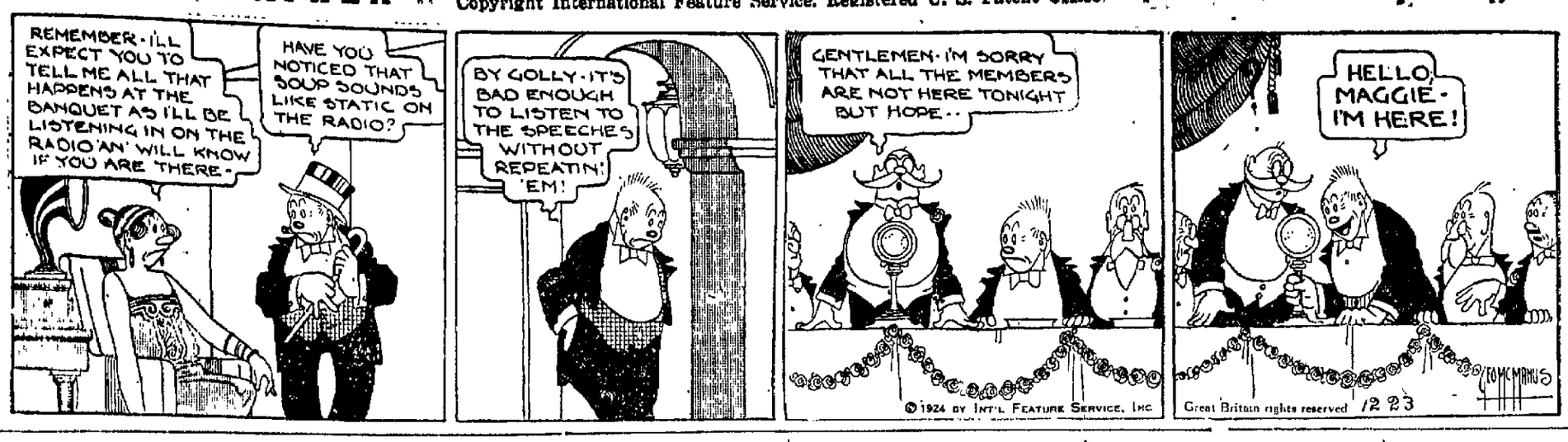
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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

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Lost and Found

STRAYED—Black and bay horses, about 1300 pounds, notify Black-Sivalls and Bryson, phone 45. 21X3

LOST—Pointer puppy about 5 mos. old. Liver colored ears. One liver spot behind right shoulder. Few white hairs on right ear. Reward. Phone 55 or 360. 22X2

LOST. Strayed or stolen, 1 sorrel mule with dark mane about 15¼ or 16 hands high, 1 sorrel mule about 15 hands high, red or roan mane (both horse mules) were necked together when last seen, largest mule has small brand on left jaw. Reward for return of same to F. R. KLOTZ, Mexia, Texas. 17X7

For Rent Rooms

YOUNG ROOMS—Beds 50c in tent house, for respectable men only, clean safe and quiet, electric light and gas, 207 Red River, 5 blocks east of City Hall, Main and Red River, next to corner. 18X7

FOR RENT—One nicely furnished bde room for two men, Mrs. H. G. Cochran, 503 S. Kaufman St.

FOR RENT—Bedroom suitable for one or two gentlemen, 902 S. Ross, corner Ross and Main, phone 480J or 709. 23X1

FOR RENT—Bed for two men, $3.50 per week each, rear of 401 Palestine St. 23X1

FOR RENT—Bed room for two or three men. Gas heat and electric lights. Klotz Hardware Store on Milam, first house East Ross. 22X4

FOR RENT—Nice sleeping rooms, all conveniences. Apply at Mrs. Hinchliffe's, S. McKinney and Houston. 22X3

Help Wanted

WANTED—One small second hand cash register; must be priced right. See C. H. Morgan at News office.

R. E. Ellis of Real Silk Hosiery Mills is in the city with a new line of hosiery. Address City Hotel, or phone 43, will bring samples. 22X3

MALE HELP WANTED—50 pipeline ditchers by joint or day. Long job, good money pay every week. Leave newsstand corner every morning. PHELPS & STERNBERG, 1017 South McKinney. 22X4

AGENTS WANTED—Full or part time, sell on liberal commission Blancke Thermostatic Automatic Carbureter Control for Ford cars and trucks. Guaranteed to increase mileage 50 to 100 per cent. No holes to drill. Attached in two minutes. Does automatically exactly what Ford Manual instructs driver to do. Cadillac now using. Thermostatic Carbureter Control under Blancke License. Write immediately for big profit offer to Lowry Specialty Co. 303 East 7th. Ave., Corsicana, Texas.

EARN $20 weekly spare time, at home, addressing, mailing, music, circulars. Sen 10c for music and information. Co-Operative Music Co. St. Paul, Minn. 23X2

Oil Well Supplies

FOR LET—Drilling contract on 3½ acres, townsite Wortham; for particulars inquire Room 7, Ross and Green Bldg. or Box 543, Mexia, Texas 22-2

FOR SALE CHEAP, 1 500 bbl. steel tank, 1 Mud Hig steam pump, 1 6-46 steam pump, 3 small gas engines, 2 wagon tanks, Ed Dresser, 108 E. Titus St., phone 758. 22X1

GOOD USED PIPE for prompt shpimnt, 20,000 ft. 8in. 75c; 15,000 ft. 6 in. 50c; 40,000 ft. 4 in. 25c; 40,000 ft. 2 in. 8c. Texas Supply Co., Houston, Texas. 21X7

For Sale Miscellaneous

TWENTY SHARES ($200) J. K. Hughes Developing Company for sale. Make me an offer and if satisfactory the stock is yours. Box 62, care Daily News. 21X4

PERSIAN kittens for sale, one black Persian neuter to good home, phone 401J, 1105 E. Titus St. 23X2

FOR SALE—One roller top desk, cheap for cash. Room 7, Ross and Green Bldg, or Box 543, Mexia, Texas. 22J2

SCHOLARSHIP in Bryne Commercial College, Dallas, for sale. Can save you some money if you are looking for a first class commercial college. N. P. Houx, at News Office. 19X4

FOR RENT or lease first of January, office space at Wortham, next door to Journal office, now occupied by Chief of Police. See Mrs. Dunn in rear of this building. 23X2

ENGRAVING—All kinds of cards, business cards, visiting cards. See our samples. Phone 146. News Publishing Co. 29J30

TRADE IN your old Gas Heaters and Gas Cook Stoves for new ones. Langston Furniture, 312 East Commerce St.

FOR SALE—First class job printing, all kinds of Commercial Printing. No job too big—none too small. Let us figure with you. News Publishing Co. 29J30

FOR SALE—One saddle for cash, also 7 passenger car in good condition, cheap for cash, or will trade on lot. C. J. Sterling, 503 S. Canton. 22X4

GET YOUR BLANKETS, Comforts, and Rugs at Langston's Furniture 312 East Commerce St.

GOOD AS NEW 15 KVA Generator. Cost $600, will sell for $350. Call at News Publishing Co. Phone 146. 30J15

Wanted

WILL PAY highest price for E. L. Smith Oil Stock. Write or wire C. L. Tatum, Mexia, Texas, P. O. Box 718.

WANT to rent, two rooms furnished for light housekeeping, also with two beds, garage, address 181 in care News. 23X1

Have house to move short distance, will repair it. Make either three or four rooms, modern, to suit you. Only first class couple. Must neighbor with you. No hold up. 178-J for appointment. 22X3

WANTED — Light housekeeping rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Phone 140. Mrs. Buck Jeiser. 22-2

Situations Wanted

WANTED—Refined young ladies at our social dances, at the Palace Hall, Wortham. Strict management. Transportation to and from Mexia guaranteed. 22X7

WANTED by young lady, employed, room in private family must be close in, phone 630. 23X2

Miscellaneous

We collect bad account and judgements. We make hot checks (hotter). See us we will get results. Mexia Detective Bureau, City Hall. 19-T-30

WE TRADE new Furniture and Stoves for old ones. Langston Furniture, 312 Commerce St.

STORAGE—We will store your furniture, large or small lots. Iron building. 100 E. Titus St. Dresser Storage. Phone 758. 22X2

Automobiles

FOR SALE—One new Ford coupe, balloon tires, room 7, Ross & Green Building. 22X3

For Sale Real Estate

FARMS FOR SALE

106 acres at Point Enterprise, fair improvements. Price $50 per acre.

145 acres, 1½ miles north of Simsboro. Cheap at $30 per acre.

See F. R. KLOTZ (owner) for terms and condition and full particulars of sale of above land.

FOR SALE—Residence lots, lights water, gas and sewer. Close to pavements, easy term. It will pay to investigate this offer. CARL DAVIS, phone 399. R-31-30

FOR SALE—5 room house with screened in porch, all modern conveniences, large lot and 4 stall garage, see property at 500 East Bowie Street. 18-5.

FOR SALE—5 room house, two and half acres land; Main and Brooks Sts. Cheap for cash. Room 7, Ross and Green Bldg., or Box 543, Mexia, Texas. 22J2

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—For sale on reasonable terms by owner, or will exchange for Dallas property, the brick business house at 204 E. Main St., Mexia, adjoining Humphreys-Boyd offices. The property is clear and a bargain for some man who can use it. Address L. O. Robertson, 1207 So. Akard St., Dallas. 22-2

FOR SALE—One lot 50 feet front by 125 feet deep on pavement. Water piped on lot. Pavement paid for. Will make a sacrifice for cash for $350. See E. HALL at Neece Lumber Co. or call 35. 21Xtf

FOR SALE, bargain, dresser rooms nicely furnished, a nice income, part cash, balance like rent, it will pay you to look it over, 108 E. Titus St., phone 758. 22X2

Your dented fenders and auto bodies can be made to look like new at our shop. Pat F. Hopkins Wheel & Body Works. Phone 725. W. Milam Street.

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of new shoes for the children makes you stagger, does it not? Take our advice and save many dollars--have those well-worn shoes repaired here and add weeks, perhaps months, of wear to them. Good shoe repairing these days is a real economy you should not fail to take advantage of.

D. Prickett Shoe Shop
The Postoffice is opposite us.

Forgetfulness No Excuse, Was Fined

[By United Press]

WACO, Dec. 23.—Assistant City Attorney Bill McConnell admitted he was guilty and asked the court to fine him.

Whereupon the court fined him $5 for violation of the boulevard ordinance.

"It was not intentional—the violation wasn't," McConnel said. "I forgot, that's all. But I violated the law and should be punished."

GET BIG WEL IN JIM HOGG COUNTY

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 19.—The third big well for Henne, Winch & Farris (Big Dend Oil Company), discoverers of the Jim Hogg County pool, was added to the list Thursday when their No. 5, located 300 feet south of their No. 3, came in at a depth of 2,005 feet, flowing by heads at the rate of 800 barrels a day. Each succeeding head shows an increase in volume, with indications of making as good production as either of the other two wells.

Henne, Winch & Farris No. 6, 300 feet north of their No. 4, began drilling out the plugs Thursday and will be brought in Friday, making the fourth well for that concern.

Witherspoon's No. 2 well, brought in on Tuesday, and located 300 feet south of the Magnolia No. 1, is reported flowing 2,000 barrels daily. Magnolia's well, brought in Monday, sanded up, but is flowing again and the production increasing

O. W. Killiam's Texto No. 1, 1,500 feet north of the Henne, Winch & Farris well, after resetting liner, again is flowing oil and it looks as if it would make a good producer.

Denatured Alcohol for your radiators at Anderson & Horn Drug Store.

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A Light Ford Truck

Built to live in, will be in Mexia 3 days—the best cash offer gets it. See—
EARL THOMAS
at Opera House

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Mr. Simpson at Chocolate Shoppe

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Do you know the conditions are sanitary where it is prepared for ironing or not. Send it to us, then come out and see it in the process of Laundering.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Clause, Hun:

Please bring me a Penna and stool. A doll bed and cover for my baby doll, Zena Mae. A telephone that will ring. A little Hoover that connects, a little mop, so I can help mother clean up. A lawn mower, so I can help daddy cut grass. A prissy little hat, some nuts and candy, if you have any left.

Oh! too, I want a colored doll like they have at racket store. I think they are so cut. Don't forget to bring Miss Jenkins, Miss Watson, Miss Ward and Miss Jowell a beau.

Remember Mother and Daddy, the poor little Orphans and brother Andrews. Don't forget anyone Santa Claus, and too, Miss Zona Mae Brice. I'll be an nice little girl.

MARY JANE CROW.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little car that you can make it in to a roadster or a truck a capgun a box of caps five or six roman candles and any other kind of toys you want to bring me good by Santa Claus your little friend, W. C. Wilson Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll bed, cedar chest with some doll clothes in it for my doll, aluminum set of cooking dishes. I want a box of stationary to write my little friend on, my little brother wants a choo-choo train and toy stopper gun and some fire works. Bring all of us some nuts and candies of all kinds. Now Santa I am going to hang up my mamma stocking because mine is not big enough, don't forget all the orphan children, your loving little girl,

BESSIE MAE BARTLETT.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a comb and brush, apples and oranges, then bring the school board a motor bus, so they can bring the little children to school and back. Please don't forget mother and daddy, Grandma, your little girl.

ANNA KATRYN STUBENRAUCH.

HOME BUILDING TO BE POPULAR AFTER JAN. 1.

Local real estate firms report that after January 1, the city will witness a home building campaign of extensive proportions. Many nice homes have been planned and with the advent of a New Year, an army of carpenters will be at work helping to build a bigger and better Mexia. At present six business houses are going up in the business district. Work suspended on them during the freeze has been resumed.

Father of Luther Johnson Dies At Corsicana Home

E. W. Johnson, 81, father of Congressman Luther Johnson of this district, of Corsicana, died at his home Monday night, according to a message received by Albert H. Berry, of this city. The deceased has been an esteemed citizen of Navarro county for the past half a century or longer, coming to Texas from Tennessee. Congressman Johnson, who has been in Washington all the Fall, started home immediately after being apprised of the serious condition of his father, following a stroke of paralysis the latter part of last week. The entire district sympathizes with the bereaved in their great sorrow.

ADVERTISING MANAGER OF MEXIA DAIL NEWS UNDERGOES SUCCESSFUL OPERATION

C. L. Tatum, Advertising Manager of the Mexia Daily News, who was operated on for appendicitis Monday night, is reported to be resting well today, recovering from the successful operation. Mr. Tatum will likely be confined to his bed for the next two weeks. He has a host of friends here who are watching for reports regarding his condition with deep interest. They will be glad to know of the success of the operation. Mr. George Lee is taking his place in the Advertising Department.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia deems it advisable to issue bonds of the said City for the purpose hereinafter mentioned:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, that an election be held on the 27th day of January 1925, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Mexia, Texas, in the sum of Forty Thousand ($40,000.00) Dollars to become due and payable serially as follows: towit: One Thousand ($1000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, 1926, and One Thousand $(1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, of each year thereafter unto and including the year 1966, and bearing interest at the rate of 5½ per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax on all the taxable property within said City sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the city of Mexia, Texas, under and by virtue of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. S. 1911, and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas."

The said election shall be held at the City Hall, in the City of Mexia, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit:

JERRY CASON,
Presiding Officer.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. R. 1911 and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified voters who are property tax-payers of said City shall be allowed to vote at said election.

All voters who favor the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots, the words:

"For the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating General Elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Mexia, attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause said notice of the election to be posted up at the City Hall, and one at the Post Office and one at the Farmers State Bank Corner, all in the City of Mexia, for at lease thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in some newspaper of general circulation published in said City, and which notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days prior to the date of the election.

E. WATSON,
Mayor, City of Mexia, Texas.
ATTEST:
R. D. MORGAN,
City Secretary, City of Mexia, Texas.
Dec 23 29 Jan 5 12 19 26.

You wreck 'em; we get 'em. Palestine St. Garage. Phone 703.

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Fenders and auto bodies rolled promptly and efficiently. No need to send your work out of town. Pat F. Hopkins Wheel & Body Works, Phone 725. West Milam Street.

FOR RENT—3 nice bed rooms for men, in private home, on pavement. 734 S. McKinney, phone 332W. 23X2

FOR RENT—Nice bed room for 4 men, gas new house, modern conveniences, 812 E. Carthage, phone 656 J. 23X4

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Drizzling Rains Bring Relief to Texas Farm Lands

COLD WAVE DRIVING TO THE FAR SOUTHWEST

Many Wells Expected In Almost Momentarily In Field

SOUTHWEST PART OF STATE SEES SLOW DRIZZLE AND RAIN

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 23.—Drizzling rains throughout Monday night and rising temperatures were slowly bringing relief to Southeast Texas after one of the worst storms ever known here.

The list of casualties from the storm was raised to two Monday with the finding of the body of Press Buntley, 27, negro, frozen to death in an open field near Clauine, Texas, Friday. The body of a white man was found Sunday in a ditch near Eagle Lake, Texas.

Six men who left Houston Thursday on a hunting trip were located Monday afternoon stranded on a sand bar several miles out in Galveston Bay. They had suffered from exposure and lack of food.

Damage in this section will reach $1,000,000, it is estimated. Damage in Houston proper was placed at $500,000. Thousands of cattle have been starved or frozen to death and citrus trees, heavily laden with fruit, were destroyed, it is reported by travelers reaching Houston.

Hundreds of cattle were saved by brush fires built about them as they huddled in droves of several hundred head, according to the reports.

Icicles hung from the eaves for the first time in the history of the Rio Grande Valley, heart of the fruit growing industry. Heavy losses are inevitable in the valley, it is said.

Blackmailer May Use Another Name "To Make Good"

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—After he gets out of jail, Bern Sirio, gangling, tow-headed Finnish youth from Fresno, Cal., who followed the sea until the bright idea came to him of blackfailing some of New York's first families, probably will try some other means of livelihood.

Young Sirio's dreams of wealth were rudely shattered last night, just when he though he had his hands on a package containing $50,000. More detectives than he ever dreamed of, hit him from all sides at once and before he knew it, he was blubbering a confession at police headquarters.

The youth, who gave his age as 20, had written letters to Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt and Leonard Kip-Rhinelander, asking $50,000 and $20,000 respectively. He signed himself "Mr. Edmund Harrisburg, Hotel Biltmore," and directed that the money be brought to him in Battery Park.

Wortham Churches Open During Cold To The Shelterless

Wortham reports intense suffering among those without adequate shelter there during the late freeze. To give relief, the churches of that city started up their fires Saturday and seeing the needy "took them in." Many accepted the hospitality and entered these havens with thanksgiving in their hearts.

NO PARDONS TO BE ISSUED BY GOVERNOR

[By United Press]

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 23.—Hopes of prisoners in the state penal institutions for Christmas clemency were abandoned today when the governor's office announced that no holiday pardons will be granted. Likewise the state will have to dispense with the usual proclamation. The governor overlooked it until too late for its preparation, due to a rush of business.

Waco Y. M. B. L. Is Interested In The Wortham District

WACO, Dec. 23.—A committee which stands ready to render any aid and further any project of interest to the business men of Waco arising from the discovery of oil at Wortham has been named by the C. of C. Y. M. B. L. of Waco.

This committee is E. C. Barnett, C. M. Thompson and Tom Wolfe. The committee stands ready to act if anything relating to the Wortham field comes up which needs such a committee.

A committee composed of C. F. Dumas, Alex Sanger, W. W. Namon and J. B. Fisher has been named by the C. of C. Y. M. B. L. to aid Wirt Franklin of Ardmore, Okla., and C. J. Cly of Ohio to get water with which to drill for oil near Axtell.

Mr. Cly already has a well under the drill, and there is much interest in the operations in that field. The Franklin interests, represented by Dan Tudor, plan to get busy again near Axtell in January of 1925, but the question of getting water with which to drill is one of much concern as a great deal is required.

Slow Rain Begins To Fall In Area After Late Freeze

On the heels of the breaking up of the intense cold spell over hanging clouds this morning promised rains and within a short while a slow drizzle started. The ground is being thoroughly saturated with the needed moisture and if followed by a rain of larger proportions will soon be seeking the low levels and filling up surface storage for field operations in the Wortham district. In the meanwhile, the roads are slippery and the fields are getting muddy, slowing up progress and work to some extent. Great caution is urged to avoid accidents in traffic and travel.

The rains will be welcomed by the oil fraternity generally as numerous operations are standing still, pending a more plentiful water supply.

Many operators have surface tanks which will be replenished by the waterfall, if it continues any length of time.

The Humphreys Boyd Oil Company leads in this, having six separate and large reservoirs to draw upon in cases of necessity in its gigantic drilling program. Dams started a week ago have been completed by this time and will impound a vast amount of water for field purposes.

The rainy season has been late in coming this Fall and Winter and it may be that it has now set in. Seldom has the wet weather been this late in the year coming on.

Chas. Green Dead Funeral Tuesday

Chas. Green, for many years a prominent citizen and business man of Mexia, who left here several years ago, died at his home in Denison, Monday, December 22, aged 81 years.

The funreral was conducted here Tuesday morning from the funeral home of the John R. Corley company on East Carthage street under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, of which he was a long time member, with Past Master J. D. Arrington presiding.

Following Masons acted as pall bearers:

Julius Nussbaum, Hugh Freeman, Berry De Long, Rod Fielder Tom Denning, Arvin Epperson.

Following children of deceased were present for the funeral:

Mrs. G. Wolfe, of Denison; Mrs. Thos. J. Grace of McAllister, Okla.; Mrs. I. Lawrence, of Denison; Mrs. Louis Schlosburg of Dallas; Herbert Green of Dalla-

Barking of Dog Prevents Escape Of Mail Bandit

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—The barking of "Puff," an airedale dog belonging to Sheriff Daniel Maher prevented the escape of Fred Poffenbarger and Keith Collins, Iowa mail bandits, from the Wyandotte county jail last night. The two men, held in connection with a $3,000,000 Council Bluffs, Iowa, mail robber yin 1920, had burrowed almost through the outer wall of the jail when the dog noticed the hole.

Sheriff Maher, attracted by the dog's barking and scratching at a certain place in the jail wall, investigated and found the bricks loosened, apparently the two bandits, with other prisoners, had planned to escape last night.

AMERICAN THOUGHT DEAD IS ALIVE IN FRANCE

PARIS, Dec. 23.—George K. McFillan, American whom police feared had been murdered, is alive in Harve, dispatches said. It was feared that it was McFillan's dismembered body was found strewn thru the Apache quarter here.

Gift of $25,000 Is Made by Oil Man For Okla. Stadium

NORMAN, Okla., Dec. 23.—Oklahoma's campaign for a $1,000,000 memorial stadium and union building on the Sooner campus was given an added impetus this week when Frank Buttram, '10, millionaire oil man and member of the university board of regents, pledged $25,000 toward the fund. Students and faculty members had previously pledged $203,000 and alumnui solicitors report the total well above the $300,000 mark.

Stadium plans call for double-deck steel and concrete sections on each side of the present oval on Owen Field, with a total seating capacity of 43,000. Legislative appropriation will be sought for a three-story gymnasium to close the northern end of the oval, while the southern end will be left open.

The construction of the stadium will place Oklahoma on a par with the larger schools of the Missouri Valley.

Treating Plants Not Running Full Blast Since Snap

Operations in the old proven area of the Mexia oil field are expected to return to normal, weather conditions being favorable, within the next few days at least. The freeze tied up practically every well in the field. Since the thaw the pumps have resumed but the treating plants have not as a whole gotten back to work. In the meantime the production is being sent to lease storage.

Fascisti Editor Given 3 Months

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The Fascist Editor Rothardt, today was sentenced to three months in prison for libelling President Ebert. The court held that libel had been committed but disagreed with the State's attorney's proposal for a six months' prison sentence.

The defendant must pay the costs and President Ebert is entitled to compel the editor to publish the verdict.

Thus collapsed the junker Fascisti plot to villify Ebert, charge him with treason and comple him to relinquish the presidency.

THE WEATHER.

Texas—Cloudy, rain and rising temperature.

SEVERAL DRILL'NG IN TODAY WHILE SLOW DRIZZLE COMES DOWN

Strube and Strube Lindley 1 is one of the wells now drilling in hourly expected to be added to the production column. Drilling in began immediately following the thawing of ice in the frozen district. It is looked upon as certain for production of gusher proportions.

The Bounds 2 of the Pure Oil Company, Northwest of the Bounds 1 of the company which came in for 200 barrels hourly Monday afternoon is also nearing the completion point.

The Rio Bravo H. & T. C. 1 is also drilling in.

The Humble Oil and Refining Company's Dodd 1 is at Woodbine sand depths and is in the group of expected completions for the week.

The Humphreys Boyd Oil Company also will likely add a couple of producers before the week is up, on the Simmons and Ferguson tracts.

Moss and Keeling Simmons 1, in the heart of the proven gusher area, barring mishaps, will swell production figures before the week is up.

The Kirby Wright 1 and2 are two other wells of that company being watched closely, now down almost to completion depths.

The Humble Company has two Crouch wells just about ready to be completed, the Crouch 1A, drilling in and the Crouch 2A.

Negro Misses Fame By Narrow Margin

A negro missed fame here recently only by getting away before his name was learned.

He was crossing the street near the H. & T. C. railroad intersection with Main Street, when a Ford bore down upon him, causing him to waver from side to side in playing hide and seek to get out of the way of the equally flustrated driver.

Finally when all efforts of both the autoists and the colored pedestrian had failed, the Ford literally scooped him up on its body, resulting in the caving in of the hood of the car, the breaking of both glasses of the windshield and tearing off the top. In the emergency the driver put on the brakes and the car swerved down the railroad tracks about fifty feet, carrying the negro along with it.

It didn't hurt the negro. He brushed his clothes and went on about his business.

SMITH EDWARDS 1 MAKING OVER 10,000 BBLS. DAILY

The E. L. Smith Oil Company's Edwards 1, south offset gusher to the Atlantic, Humphreys Boyd, Penn et al McCorkle 1, is today making at the rate of approximately 10,000 barrels every twenty four hours. The Company's Beall 1 is making around 3500 barrels, giving this company second place in the Wortham field daily production report.

The Edwards 1 gusher of the company was located by W. A. Reiter of Foster-Reiter Company. Two other wells are being drilled by the E. L. Smith Company on its ten acre block south of the McCorkle acreage. Also it has two wells being drilled on the Beall tract.

Since the coming in Monday of the Pure Oil Company Bounds 1 and the promise of early production in the Pure Bounds 2, the drilling campaign is going on with renewed vigor Nort and on the West side of the X-All highway.

SABRE SLAYER HELD DESPITE FATHER'S PLEA.

GEORGE SHAW, NOW MRS. H. BRADY & BRUCE A. SHAW (Acme)

George Shaw, of Oak Park, Ill., fashionable suburb of Chicago, has been charged with the murder of his wealthy father, Bruce A. Shaw, inventor and author, slain with a sabre while the son was gin-mad, according to police. Mrs. Hazel Howard Brady, divorcee, whom younger Shaw took home with him after a drunken orgy at a roadhouse, police allege, testified at the inquest. Bruce Shaw was attacked after he upbraided his son. With his last breath he pleaded for his son, who, he said, had been shell-shocked in France and was not accountable for his murderous impulses.

CITY SANITARY DEPARTMENT IS WORKING FOR BETTER CITY

Dr. W. R. Hodges, city sanitation officer, reports conditions very gratifying in dairies serving Mexia and in meat markets and c . He states that the cafes are ha y a heavy volume of business and four or five have been added since Thanksgiving day. All are giving appreciated cooperation in safeguarding public health. More attention is being paid by local business men to alleys and consdiering the rush of additional thousands here daily, the city is making a good impression on the passerby as well as upon the new arrival locating here.

Dr. Hodges urges that eternal vigilance and a lot of elbow grease are essential to a clean city and prescribes it daily for citizens to follow, in the business district and in the home areas.

No epidemics are now here and with conditions kept in a better state constantly, the health of the community may be good hereafter, as it has in the past.

The city health department is being praised for its excellent service. Dr. Hodges is devoting night and day in the effort to make this a better place in which to live.

COLD SPELL GIVES SAM WERNER A BROKEN TOE

The only casualty of the recent cold spell which has been run down for a fact, out of all the rumors rampant in the community, occurred to Sam B. Werner, T. & B. V. Commercial Agent here. During the freeze his water connections at his home here froze up and while he was serving as a substitute plumber around the bath tub, it is reported an icicle fell on one of his toes causing it (the toe) to break. At any rate he is able to be up on crutches today.

PATIENTS GETTING ALONG NICELY NOW

Patients in the Brown Hospital in Mexia are reported getting along fine today. None are in serious condition, it is understand. Mr. Stewart of Warren, Arkansas, who was hit by an auto last week and whose identity was not then known, is slowly improving and is now thought to be out of danger.

ELKS OF MEXIA GIVE $200.00 TO CHARITY CAUSE

The Salvation Army corps here will give its Christmas tree Christmas night at the Central Presbyterian church. Envoy Hamilton reports gifts are already coming in to be placed on the tree, later to gladden the hearts of many a boy and girl.

To help in spreading good will and Christmas cheer, the Mexia Elks Club, one of the livest orders of Elks in the United States, has tendered $200 for the cause, which the Salvation Army will use to the very best advantage. The envoy expresses deep appreciation to the Elks for this munificient gift. He also urges all clubs and individuals who are to place something on the tree to see him or phone him as quickly as possible. This will help him in the completion of arrangements on Christmas eve. The Army's telephone number is 227W and the headquarters are on the southeast corner of Canton and Hopkins.

Those desiring Christmas dinner baskets are urged to see Envoy Hamilton at once and get an order for their basket.

The kettles and boxes are yet out at prominent downtown corners for the taking up of all street collections.

Widow Announces To Succeed Her Husband in House

[By United Press]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Julius Kahn, widow of the late congressman, announced today that she would seek election to complete her husband's unexpired term and serve in the new congress to which he was elected November 4. Mrs. Kahn is expected to be unopposed.

TURKEYS UP.

[By United Press]

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Christmas turkey prices soared here today despite the embargo on live poultry in the East. Instead of causing the price to drop, the embargo apparently has had a stimulating effect and dressed turkeys were quoted at 50c a pound here today.

SNOW IS COMING DOWN IN PARTS OF S'WEST TODAY

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Another cold wave is on the way, the weather bureau warned today. The latest wave is pushing southward from Alaska and is now in Canadian northwest. Snow is falling over a considerable section of the country. The principal disturbance is centered over the far southwest. Heavy snow is reported in the Rocky Mountain region.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—Snow which began falling shortly after midnight continued over a wide area in the southwest early today with no signs of an immediate letup. Nearly two inches had fallen here this morning. A similar fall was reported from Kansas and Missouri points.

Grass Widow Is Offering Large Lump Of Bonds

[By United Press]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick of Chicago, daughter of John D. Rockefeller and divorced wife of Harold McCormick, is offering $1,337,500 bonds in the investment market today.

The bonds are based on the Edith Rockefeller McCormick Trust, established at the time she won her divorce. McCormick later married Ganna Walska, an opera singer.

The purpose of the bond offering was not made public. Neither is it known why any additional funds were necessary for the trust.

Christmas Air Mail Is Started

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The Christmas air mail carried on today, while a double investigation was started to place the blame for the fatal crash of Charles Gilbert's air mail plane at Kanesville, Ill., sixty miles west of here. Gilbert, a winged Santa Claus of the night mail, leaped to his death while flying through a snow storm from Chicago to Omaha with a packet of Christmas mail.

A preliminary investigation was made by the coroner at Geneva, Ill., who stated Gilbert apparently fell to the earth from a height of 1500 feet.

Arrangements are being made to take the body to Plainsville, Kas., for burial. Gilbert's parents reside there.

Murder Case Is Before the Jury

AMARILLO, Texas, Dec. 23.—Fate of Former District Attorney E. T. Miller and Mrs. Ruth Hobart, tried for the alleged killing of Mrs. Hobart's husband, E. W. Hobart, early this year, was in the hands of a jury today.

Opposing counsel completed final argument late yesterday. The court read his charge and the jury retired. An early verdict was looked for.

Hobart was shot to death. His body was found by two young women on the outskirts of Amarillo.

MANY GUESTS OF CITY HALL DURING FREEZE

Chief of Police Albert Mace had plenty of guests at the City Hall during the recent freeze. He purchased a big pile of comforts used by those who sought shelter from the Norther in the big room adjoining Mayor Ernest Watson's office. A big fire was kept going and the scores who took advantage of the city's hospitality have nothing but good words for Mexia.

SENATE PUSHING MEASURE OVER PUBLISHERS PROTESTS

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The Senate postal salaries increase committee today declined to delay hearings on the bill which is being speeded through the Senate to replace the measure that President Coolidge vetoed. The plea of American Newspaper Publishers Association the hearings be postponed to give the organization an opportunity to present a protest was rejected as the hearings opened. Chairman Moses announced that it was the intention of leaders to force through the new Sterling bill in preference to the vetoed measure. The Publishers Association protested, complaining that while the Postoffice Department two years to prepare its side of the case, the publishers would be allowed less than a week to prepare an answer.

WEDNESDAY'S FIVE BEST RADIO FEATURES

WJJ, New York (455-m) WCY, Schnectady (380-m) and WRC, Washington (469-m) 3 p. m. (EST) Services from Trinity Church, New York.

WLW, Cincinnati (423-m) KSD, St. Louise (546-m) WCAP, Washington. (469-m) midnight (CST) Midnight mass.

WWJ, Detroit (517-m) 11 p. m. (EST) Christmas carol service from St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral.

KPO, San Francisco (423-m) 8 p. m. (PCST) Christmas carols by Trinity choir.

WMAQ, Chicago (447.5-m) 9 p. m. (CST) WMAQ Players in Dickens Christmas carol.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 19.—All Houston shivered this morning as the mercury slipped 17 degrees to 33 above between 4 o'clock and 7 o'clock this morning. Local Weather Bureau officials predicted a drop freezing during the day.

The sudden drop was ushered in by a heavy rain which early this morning had all but turned to sleet.

SPORT TABS.

[By United Press]

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Tommy O'Brien, of Milwaukee, won the decision from Johnny Lombardo, the Philadelphia lightweight in a fast 10-round bout at the Rink Sporting Club.

NEW YORK—Examination of the judges votes that gave Eddie (Cannon Ball) Martin the world's bantam weight champion in his bout with Abe Goldstein Friday night showed that two declared in favor of Martin and two decided it was a draw.

NEW YORK—The 10-round bout between Mike McTigue, light-heavyweight champion and Young Marullo, was postponed last night because of inclement weather and will be fought Jan. 19.

NEW YORK—The Yankees will play their customary long training schedule on the way back from Florida in March. Twenty-five games have been scheduled, 18 with the Brooklyn Robins.

CHICAGO—The world's 18.2 balk line billiard championship will be held at the Congress hotel here Feb. 23, to March 4, the Brunswicke-Balke-Collender Company announced.

PRINCETON, N. J.—Bill Roper, head football coach of Princeton since the war, will continue to direct the destinies of the Tiger gridiron squad, the board of athletic control announced. Roper had received at lease three offers from other universities.

DALLAS, Texas.—Doc Stewart's Texas Longhorns play Dallas Y. M. H. A. here tonight. Tomorrow night the Longhorns meet Frank Howell's strong Boethian five here.

DALLAS—Ivan Fontonoff, Russian grappler, meets Ernest Glover, light heavyweight champion of the south, in straight falls here tonight.

JACKSON HOME NEARS COMPLETION IN CITY

The lovely home of Mrs. R. B. Jackson on the Southeast corner of Commerce and Kaufman Street is rapidly nearing completion. It is one of the imposing homes of the city, representing the thoughtful planning of Mrs. Jackson, and a charming attraction in that part of the city.

NO ROTARY PROGRAM CHRISTMAS WEEK

Owing to this being Christmas week, the Mexia Rotary club will not hold its weekly luncheon as usual. Next week the sessions will be resumed in the basement of the Methodist church, served by the ladies of the congregation, as heretofore. This announcement was made last week when the Lions and the Rotarians held their joint meeting.

Juniors, remember the Christmas tree Tuesday night at the First Baptist Church, 7:30. Come, bring your package.

MEN AND WOMEN IN NEWS SPOTLIGHT.

Above: MRS. CLYDE BYFIELD & MRS. WOODROW WILSON
Below: SIR BERTRAM HAY & COL. GEORGE HARVEY.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, widow of the War President, presented a pathetic figure when she attended memorial services for Mr. Wilson in the hall of the House of Representatives in Washington. A "confidence man" has duped men and women of many thousand dollars in New York City by posing as Colonel George Harvey, former American Ambassador to England and now editor of a Washington newspaper. Mrs. Clyde Byfield has been granted a new trial by Atlanta, Ga., courts of her $100,000 suit against Walter S. Chandler, son of the Coca Cola King, whom she charged with attacking her on board the liner Berengaria on the way to Europe two years ago. Sir Bertram F. Hay has completed his last voyage as master of the liner Majestic and retired to become a farmer in England.

Speed at Wortham Holds Attention of The Entire Nation

The speed with which the Wortham oil field is being drilled is attracting the eyes of the nation. Prominent oil men from all over the continent are coming here constantly to see the spectacular activity. Also, practically all leading oil journals of the Mid Continent and representatives of great newspapers in the East are here daily to keep in touch with the situation. Afetr the holidays the visitors are expected to increase.

It is Mexia's opportunitf to get before the capitalists of the continent. With Colonel A. E. Humphreys, an international figure in the oil world, will return after January the second, a large party of Denver, W. Virginia and New York oil men and financiers.

News Classified Ads get results.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 18.—Police today were seeking two negro women who last night held up and stabbed E. B. Cassaway, a railroad man, and left him lying in the yard surrounding St. Mathew's Cathedral. Cassaway was stabbed in the back, he told police. Two negro women, he said, rifled his clothing, then dragged him to the church yard and fled.

IF SKIN BREAKS OUT AND ITCHES APPLY SULPHUR

Just the moment you apply Mentho-Sulphur to an itching, burning or broken out skin, the itching stops and healing begins, says a noted skin specialist. This sulphur preparation, made into a pleasant cold cream, gives such a quick relief, even to fiery eczema, that nothing has ever been found to take its place.

Because of its germ-destroying properties, it quickly subdues the itching, cools the irritation and heals the eczema right up, leaving a clear, smooth skin in place of ugly eruptions, rash, pimples or roughness.

You do not have to wait for improvement. It quickly shows. You can get a little jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur at any drug store.

Wishing for you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

R. A. (DICK) WAGNER CO.

A Happy Christmas

As we once more approach the day of "Peace on Earth and good will toward men" and with another mile post in sight and another year beckoning us with its hopes and opportunities, we pause a moment to reflect upon the pleasant relations of the year about to close and recount the blessings that have been ours to enjoy. For patronage of our friends and customers, we are sincerely grateful, but above and beyond this is our deep appreciation and most profound gratitude for your good will and friendship—for it's these we prize more highly than dollars and cents.

In reaffirming our Christmas wishes for you, may we express a deep desire that those qualities born of the Bethlehem Spirit may characterize our association with you through the coming year.

Earnestly wishing for you and yours, all the joys of Christmas and a New Year filled with Happiness and Prosperity, we are,

Cordially yours,

Berry-Barnett Grocery Company

Studebaker

Mexia, Texas,
December 23rd, 1924.

To Our Friends:

We seem too busy every day
To say the things we want to say
Our deepest thoughts we seem to hide,
Until we reach the Christmas-tide
'Tis then we send to friends again
In happy words the Old Refrain—
"A Very Merry Christmas."

We're always glad when Christmas-time comes 'round again. For it gives us an opportunity to express our appreciation for your good will and friendship, an dto thank you for the business you have sent our way in the past.

May this Christmas bring you all the many things your heart desires, and the New Year prove a full twelve-months of Happiness and Prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

Mexia Motor Car Company, Inc.

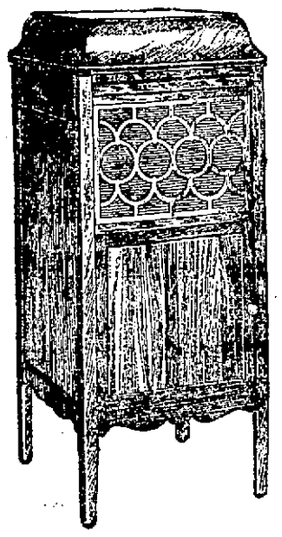
When blows the wintry wind
May thy restless spirit find
Peace and Joy of Christmastide
That will aye with thee abide

Butler's

LONDON CONSOLE

In late years has come a desire for finer designs at popular prices, which we have met with this charming London Console. Brown mahogany finish.

$145.00



LONDON UPRIGHT

Here is a cabinet in brown mahogany finish that will grace any living room. And, please observe the price.

$100

Make your Christmas happiness complete!

BRING music into your home, to give you pleasure and inspiration not only at Christmas time, but for years to come.

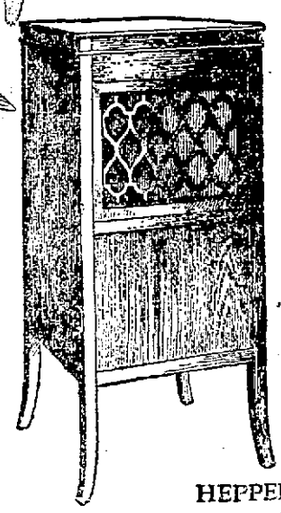
Enjoy, at your own fireside, the glorious voices of the world's great singers—hear the matchless performance of Spalding and Rachmaninoff—or, in lighter vein, dance to the music of famous orchestras.

Only through the New Edison can you secure utmost phonograph enjoyment—for the New Edison is the only phonograph which dares comparison with the living artist.

You can easily prove this for yourself—hear the New Edison in side-by-side comparison with any other phonograph—leave the decision to your own ears. That is the only test that is fair to you—the test that assures your lasting satisfaction.

Come in today and hear Edison's miracle phonograph—then select, from the wide variety of beautiful cabinets, the New Edison model you wish delivered on Christmas Eve. The Edison Budget Plan makes purchase easy—you pay while you play!

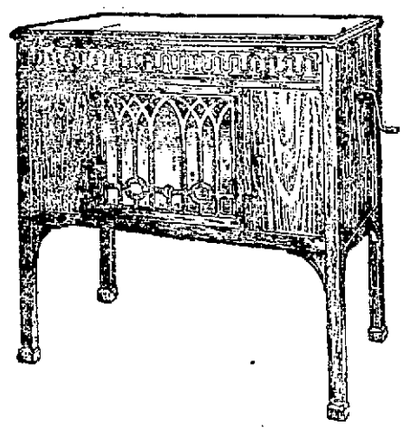
Come in today and spend an hour with the New Edison.



HEPPELWHITE

This model will appeal to all admirers of Heppelwhite furniture. In mahogany or oak. Fumed or golden.

$145

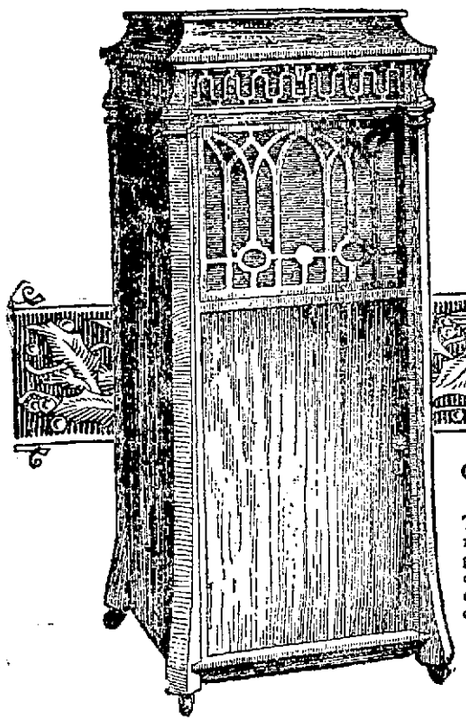


CHIPPENDALE CONSOLE

This model reflects the noteworthy qualities of Chippendale furniture; massive in design without sacrifice of grace and beauty. Brown mahogany.

$295

DIAMOND JEWELRY CO.
103 S. Sherman St.



CHIPPENDALE (*Upright*)

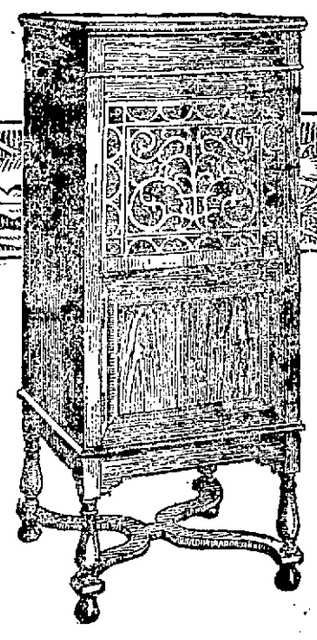
This model faithfully reflects the formal grace of old Colonial days. In mahogany or quarter-sawed white oak. Fumed or golden.

$295

BABY CONSOLE

The graceful proportions and exquisite lines of this Baby Console immediately appeal to the lover of fine furniture. Brown mahogany.

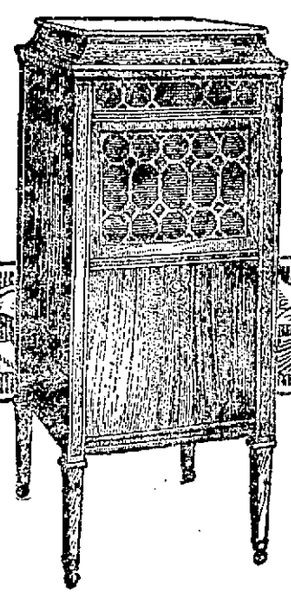
$185



WILLIAM AND MARY (*Upright*)

The William and Mary case created for this model charmingly expresses the grace and delicacy characteristic of bygone days. Mahogany only.

$295



SHERATON (*Sans Inlay*)

Here we have copied the exquisite lines of our Inlaid Sheraton and produced a slightly smaller model without inlay. Mahogany or quarter-sawed white oak, fumed or golden.

$200

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Teachers Discount Pay Checks and Do Not Get Full Pay

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 23.—Texas has no right to expect its teachers to carry a burden of interest by discounting their pay checks. It is unfair for teachers to have to wait considerable periods before having the pay checks cashed, or to have to discount them for immediate cash. Authorities should not only be allowed but should be required to use their borrowing power in order to give teachers their full salary when due.

So declares Dr. George A. Works, director of the Texas School Survey, who states that it is an altogether too common thing in Texas for teachers to have to go to local banks or individuals and put up their salary checks as collateral or otherwise be at considerable expense to get ready cash. Thousands of dollars are lost to Texas teachers annually in this wise, bringing about a great degree of dissatisfaction on the part of the teachers who thus lose a part of their already meager earnings.

Negro and Mexican Schools.

District should not be free to use apportionments based on Mexican and negro scholastics without definitely caring for the education of these people, declares a second phase of the report. There is no uniform plan of educational practices in arranging for Mexican and negro scholastics, it was found, as individual districts within the same county varied their methods. Some provide adequately, levying a local tax in addition to the state apportionment—others the apportionments were used for the white schools.

Crime and poverty will follow such a policy of haphazard treatment of these scholastics, thinks Dr. Works, who points out that the state as a whole must take the consequences flowing from the failure of many communities to provide adequate schools for all the children.

GOVERNMENT CANNOT COLLECT DEFICIENCY

[By United Press]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Filing of amended returns does not abrogate the five year statute of limitation in income taxes, the United States Board of Tax Appeals held today in declaring that the government is unable to collect $05,000 alleged deficiency of the National Refining Company of Cleveland. The limitation statute period started with the filing of the original return except when written agreement waiving provisions of the law is filed, the board ruled.

News Classified Ads get results.

Commission Will Decide Who Is Who as to Title

By PAUL W. WHITE,
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—The status of Tom Gibbons, St. Paul lightweight in his quest for the title held by Mike McTigue, and disputed by Gibbons and Gene Tunney, will come before the New York State Boxing Commission today. Gibbons has filed a challenge with the board for bouts with either McTigue or Tunney.

The Commission already has taken notice of a challenge filed by Tunney and if McTigue should ever ask for a license in this State, it would be granted only with the provision that he fight Tunney in a decision bout.

McTigue is probably the most unpopular of any of the division champs The title he annexed on St Patrick's Day, 1922, by defeating Battling Siki in Dublin has never been defended against the best American light-heavies and pugilistic circles have long been calling for his blood.

The State Boxing Commission has taken cognizance of this sentiment and while powerless to assume jurisdiction over him, can place him "in bad standing," those boxers who do not meet him.

These have been several mystrious cancellations and postponements of bouts in which he was matched and it is thought likely the commission's influence has been exerted.

TO AVOID DUST ON PARTS OF FRESHLY PAINTED CAR

When the parts of a car are painted, it is inevitable but that some dust will settle on the surface before the paint has set. With the under coats, a rubbing down after each coat will remove such dust, but when a noticeable amount of dust settles on the finishing coat, the result is far from pleasing. One way to avoid some of this trouble is to place all the parts which are easily removable in such a position that the largest surface—or the most important surface—is held as nearly as possible in a vertical position. For instance, fenders and hoods should be stood on their edges, while headlamps should be held with their faces upward. In this manner, the dust which would otherwise settle on them is avoided to a great extent and the finish will be proportionately better. If a number of cloth shields, kept moist with water, are placed around the parts, they will absorb some of the dust which floats about in the air.—Automobile Digest.

News Classified Ads get results.

H. & T. C. SCHEDULE.

North Bound.

No. 19	Densn-Ft.W	3:55 a. m.
No. 17	Dallas-Ft.W	4:30 a. m.
No. 37	Dallas-Ft.W	4:59 a. m.
No. 31	Dallas	1:30 p. m.
No. 15	Dallas-Ft.W	3:31 p. m.
No. 33	Ennis	7:10 p. m.

South Bound.

No. 20	Houston	12:16 a. m.
No. 38	Austin-SA	12:21 a. m.
No. 18	Houston	1:37 a. m.
No. 34	From Ennis-Stp	7:15 a. m.
No. 32	From Dallas-Stp	10:08 a. m.
No. 16	Houstn-SA	11:55 a. m.

Cutt-Off.

345	From Navasota-stp	1:47 p. m.
346	For Navasota-Lv	7:00 a. m.

TRINITY & BRAZOS VALLEY

North Bound.

No. 8 ..... 2:31 P. M.

South Bound.

No. 7 ..... 12:24 P. M.

SAM B. WERNER, Agt.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 19.—A charter was on file here today for the Capitol Oil Company, Inc., for $100,000.

Incorporators were listed as H. A. Wroe, Abe Frank, J. E. and Donald F. Anderson and W. B. Munson, all of Austin.

News Classified Ads get results.

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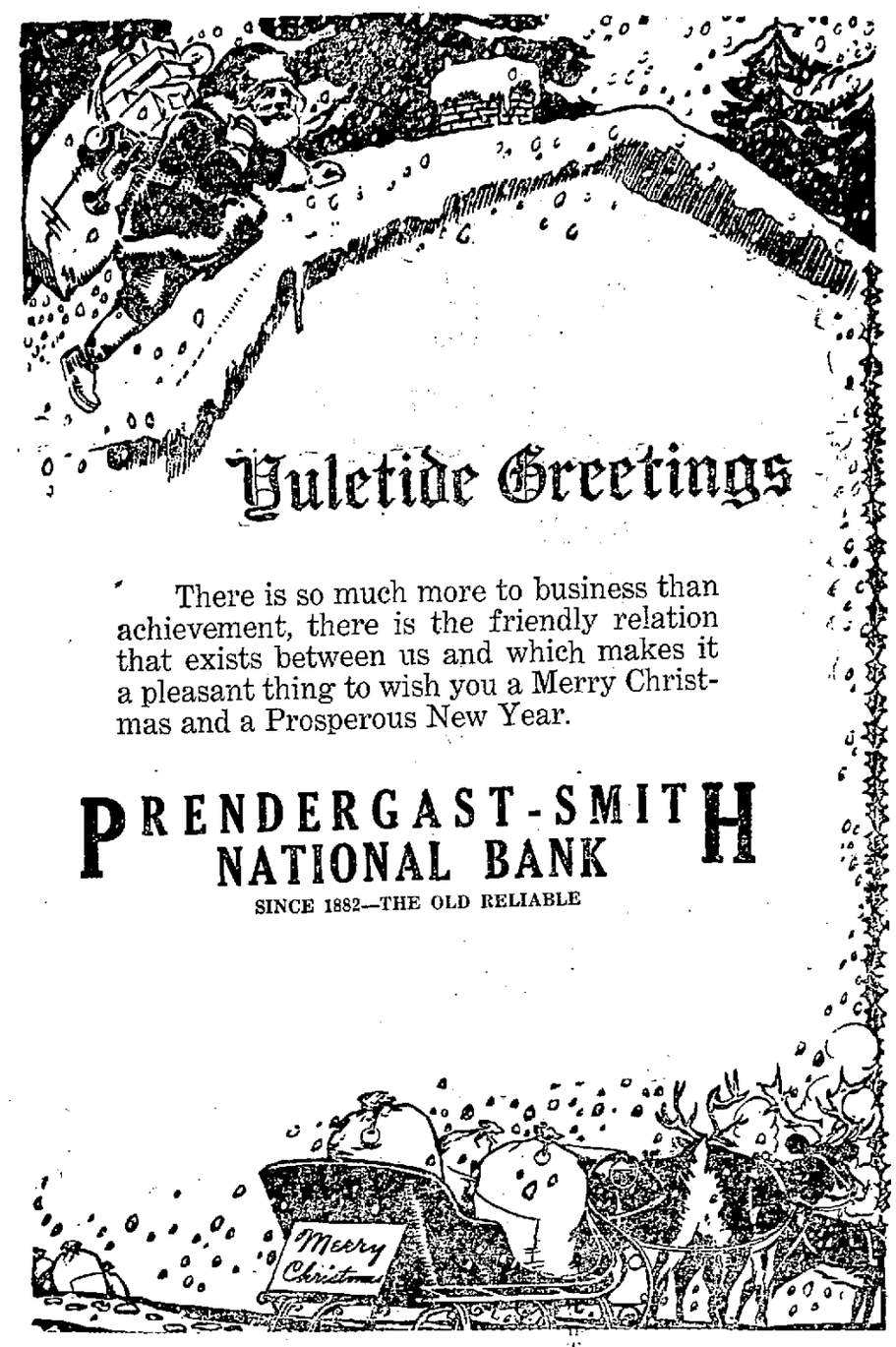

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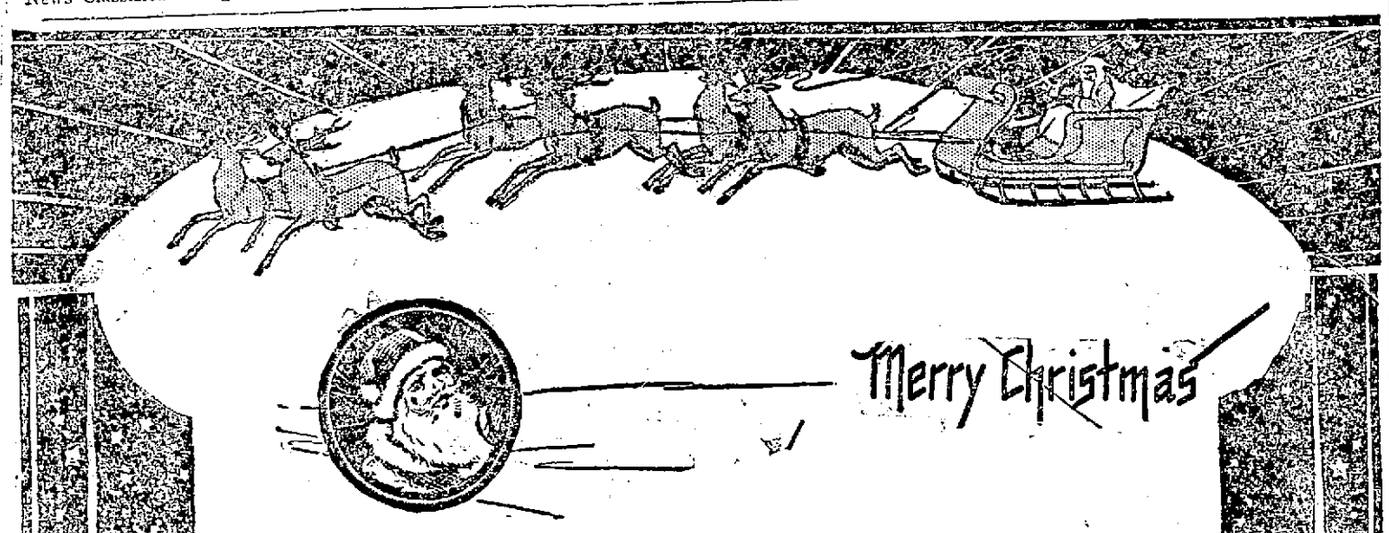

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Increase Shown In Late Report of Mid Continent

The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, North Texas, Central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended December 13 was 1,048,550 barrels as compared with 1,046,950 barrels for the preceding week an increase of 1,600 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas, heavy oil was 982,000 barrels, against 980,300 barrels, an increase of 1,700 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Gulf Coast and Southwest Texas fields was 132,450 barrels, as compared with 132,300 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 150 barrels.

The combined daily average gross production of the Southwest field was 1,181,000 barrels, as compared with 1,19,250 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 1,750 barrels.

Oklahoma-Kansas shows a daily average gross production of 615,600 barrels, an increase of 2,250 barrels; North Texas shows an increase of 1,300 barrls; Central Texas an increase of 2,550 barrels; North Louisiana a decrease of 3,900 barrels; and Arkansas a decrease of 600 barrels. In Oklahoma production of Burbank is shown as 70,850 barrels against 71,150 barrels; Tonkawa 106,150 barrels against 108,200 barrels; Cromwell 46,900 barrels against 45,050 barrels; Stroud 3,750 barrels against 3,400 barrels; Papoose 31,800 barrels against 29,150 barrels; and output of the Bristow pool was 39,150 barrels, against 39,950 barrels. The Mexia pool, Central Texas is reported at 25,800 barrels, against 25,400 barrels; Corsicana-Powell 64,150 barrels, against 66,200 barrels; Wortham 17,200 barrels, against 8,100 barrels; Haynesville, North Louisiana, 15,050 barrels, against 13,100 barrels; Cotton Valley 7,050 barrels against 9,950 barrels; and Smackover, Arkansas, light 29,600 barrels, against 30,050 barrels, heavy 66,550 barrels against 65,650 barrels. In the Gulf Coast field Hull is reported at 16,400 barrels, against 16,300 barrels; West Columbia 13,300 barrels, against 13,200 barrels, and in the Southwest Texas field Luling is reported at 34,850 barrels, against 24,800 barrels.

The estimated daily average gross production of the Wyoming, Montana and Colorado fields was 84,300 barrels as compared with 80,050 barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 4,750 barrels. Salt Creek is reported at 54, 900 barrels against 57,900 barrels.

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Will Wright is having a new brick built on East Palestine Street between the Topic Cafe building and the Mexia Battery and Tire Addition to its corner properties on that street.

The building is going up rapidly, the foundation having started at the beginning of the cold snap.

Mr. Wright states that he has not yet leased this building which will be modern in every respect.

It will be 25 by 115 feet.

J. C. Hodges has the contract and the building will be finished in January of the new year.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION MAY HOLD MEETING SUNDAY

A meeting of the officials of the Texas baseball is now expected to be held the latter part of this year. The meeting has not been officially called but according to a dispatch from Marlin will likely be held next Sunday.

Watch Your Daughter!

Dallas, Texas—"After I had the measles I had severe backaches and was very thin. I was all rundown and in a miserable condition. We had two doctors who did me no good. My mother, who had used Dr. Pierce's medicines in her family for years, gave me the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and after taking two bottles my backache stopped and now I am fat and well. I shall always praise Dr. Pierce's Medicine."—Miss Trixie Morrow, 1715 So. Lamar St.

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AUTHORITIES LOOKING FOR BANDITS IN W. TEXAS

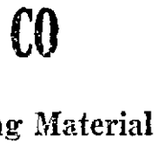
[By United Press]

EL PASO, Dec. 23.—Civil and military authorities today were searching for two men who held up and robbed Private Ralph E. Humphreys, Signal Corps, Fort Bliss, chloroformed him then poured acid on his face.

Humphreys probably will lose his sight, physicians said.

Officials expressed the belief a motive other than robbery was behind the attack.

DR. E. L. HARTLEY
Optometrist



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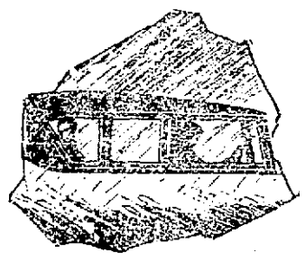

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Premiums Yet In Vogue in Oklahoma

In Oklahoma some of the larger independent producers still are storing much of their production rather than dispose of it to pipe line companies at the prevailing price level. Among these are the Amerada Petroleum Corporation, Pennok Oil, T. B. Slick, Tidal Oil, and others, although in some fields in the state, notably Cromwell, in Seminole County, the tankage of Amerada and Tidal are reported close to capacity. This withholding of crude from the open market has had a good effect on the demand for oil and will continue to have until such time as an advance is posted and then much of this accumulation will be disposed of.

Premiums in Oklahoma continue to be the vogue with a five or ten-cent boost reported now and then over the previous high mark. Crude is active in all fields and solicitation by buyers is becoming keener all the time with the Prairie and Sinclair taking the lead. Small independent refiners are finding it profitable to operate at the present crude market and these have injected a bit more competition in the scramble for new connections.

In Kansas, as in the past, when crude becomes more active, buyers are not displaying the excitement that attends solicitation in Oklahoma and other states in the Mid-Continent light oil area. Purchasers in the Sunflower state are active but premiums are not being paid generally, or at least there is little or no outward intimation that they are. Several Kansas refiners are known to be paying a bounty for Oklahoma crude. However, this is largely for Tonkawa and is being paid by refiners located at Arkansas City and other points near the Oklahoma line. Pipe line companies in the meantime are making arrangements for handling more oil in several sections of Oklahoma and aKnsas in anticipation of the spring demand for refined oils. The Pierce Petroleum Corporation has been negotiating for an interest in the Consolidated Pipe Line Company of Tulsa, with a gathering and transporting system in Tulsa, Osage, Okmulgee, and other counties in the state.

MAN CAUSE OF SISTERS FIGHTING

DALLAS, Dec. 223.—They were sisters but that didn't keep them from quarreling.

So Liza and Arabella, two dusky daughters of Dallas, selected a vacant lot and with each wielding a wicked knife, sought to settle the argument.

Police arrived on the scene and took both to the emergency hospital "It was a man," they said, with reference to the cause of the duel.

Declares He Has Proven Life After Death

M. CAMILLE FLAMMARION

M. Camille Flammarion, noted French astronomer and scientist in his recently published book, "What Do We Know About the Hidden World," tells what, in his opinion, has been scientifically proved as to the existence of the soul after death. The soul, he asserts, exists entirely independent of the body, and is endowed with faculties not yet revealed.

Midnight Services To Be Held at St. Mary's Church

Following their usual custom, the Catholics of Mexia will begin the observance of the feast of Christmas with a high mass at St. Mary's Church on Christmas eve at midnight. Rev. J. H. Kelly, the pastor, will be the celebrant of the mass, to which the public is most cordially invited.

Constance Sieg's "Mass in B flat" arranged by Rosewig, has been selected by the choir for the occasion and the following musical program will be rendered:

1. O Holy Night, A. Adam, Mrs. John Lowery.
2. Kyrie Eleison (Lord Have Mercy).
3. Gloria in Excelsis Deo (Glory Be To God on High).
4. Gratias Agimus (Let Us Give Thanks) Mrs. Flynn.
5. Domine Deus (The Lord Our God), Mrs. Lowry, Mrs. Vanneman, Mr. Costello.
6. Credo (I Believe).
7. Et in Unum Dominum (And in One God) Mrs. Flynn.
8. Et Incarnatus Est (And He Was Made Man), Mrs. Lowery.
9. Et in Spiritum Sanctum(And in the Holy Ghost), Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Vanneman.
10. Offertory, Adeste Fidcles (Come All Ye Faithful), Mrs. Flynn, Mrs. Lowery, Mr. Hays assisted by the choir.
11. Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy).
12. Benedictus Qui Venit (Blessed is He Who comes), Mr. Vanneman.
13. Agnus Dei (Lamb of God), Mrs. Lowery.
14. Silent Night, Holy Night, Mrs. Flynn.

Personnel of the choir: Sophranos, Mrs. John Lowery, Mrs. Thos. Flynn; altos, Mrs. R. Vinneman, Mrs. C. A. Puckett; tenors, Mr. Hays, Mr. Costello; bassos, Mr. M. L. McGee, Mr. R. B. Vanneman.

Organist, Miss Josie Lee Maddox.
Directress, Mrs. C. A. Puckett.

CLEVELAND SCHOOLS TO RUN POOLROOMS

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—Cleveland school board will operate two poolrooms for young men, charging 2½ cents a cue, and will open two children's entertainment centers where films will be shown every Saturday at two cents admission.

Floyd A. Rowe, physical welfare director, plans to place two billiard tables in each of two school buildings. Movies will be shown in two other buildings.

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PRODUCTION MAY GO TO 100,000 BARRELS BY NEW YEARS

By the end of the month, the production in the Wortham field is expected to reach a daily total in excess of 100,000 barrels. This, of course, is based on water conditions. At least seventeen wells are expected to be added to the production column by that date and if they average as much as 3,000 barrels daily, the 100,000 mark will be reached. Already the field is yielding over 50,000 barrels daily from ten producers, everyone of which was listed as a gusher and yet flowing.

The producers are as follows:

The Humphreys Boyd N. B. Boyd 1, (Discovery well).

The Humphreys Boyd Simmons 1; Simmons 3 and Simmons 4. These four wells alone are producing approximately 25,000 barrels daily.

The Kirby Bounds 1.

The Smith Beall 1.

The Smith Edwards 1.

The Atlantic, Humphreys Boyd Penn et al McCorkle 1.

The Pure Bounds 1.

Mrs. J. K. Hughes Simmons 1.

On account of the production from the old Mexia pool having been cut down by the late freeze by at least 50,000 barrels already, no considerable gain is expected in Mid Continent drilling reports this week, which should for that long at least curtail the influence of the Wortham district on the crude market.

The drilling campaign now being waged is expected to reach its peak by the first of February, however, the indications are that there will still be wells drilling in the territory for several months to come. The peak in production is not expected for some sixty days yet.

The Humphreys Boyd Company is situated to some extent as was the Humphreys Company in the Mexia field. Its sixty or more wells now going up are offsets largely and after these have been drilled to the production levels and brought in, the company will yet have hundreds of acres in the proven territory which it can take more time to drill. On January 1, the Prairie Company is to pay the Humphreys Boyd company $1,000,000 on its contract to purchase 3,000,000 barrels of oil at $1.25, a contract involving $3,750,000. The chances now are that by that date, the company will have produced right around a million dollars worth of oil, at the posted figure.

The company is building rapidly on its tank farm and is expected to have additional 55s ready for the reception of additional crude for storage from day to day.

Before the week end, the company expects an addition of at least two more producers, which will give it six already in the field which Colonel Humphreys discovered the Friday before Thanksgiving but an area in which he has expressed an abiding confidence for four years.

GULF FERGUSON HITS STRONG GAS PRESSURE

The Gulf Ferguson deep test which hit a strong gas pressure at around 600 feet Monday has been mudded in and drilling continues. The gas pressure is understood to have been unusually heavy even for that district.

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Emerson Hough's companion novel to "The Covered Wagon." Filmed on a sweeping scale by the director of "Wanderer of the Wasteland."

Scientists Offers Suggestions As to Marriageable Age

[By United Press]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—If one does not want to runchances of being a moron ,one should arrange to be born to an elderly couple. And if you do arrange to be the offspring of persons well along in life your chances for greatness are excellent. This is the conclusion of Casper L. Redfield, Chicago scientist who today announced an educational campaign to have State Legislatures to enact laws prohibiting marriage under the age of 21.

In a statement to the United Press, Redfield said he had been making his investigations for almost fifty years and hopes that every State legislative body will enact laws against wedlock for minors.

"Last year there were 3,000 marriages of couples under 15 years of age," Redfield said. "From this class come the principal part of our criminals, paupers and prostitutes. In twelve States it is legal for 12 year old girls and 14 year old boys to marry.

"Chicago's crime wave would not have reached its present peak if marriage laws had been passed in Illinois twenty years ago."

To prove his theory that many of the most distinctive men of history were born of parents well along in years, Redfield names:

Sir Francis Bacon, Charles Darwin, James Watt, John Wesley, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Robert E. Lee, and Henry Ward Beecher.

"The investigation has brought out another geneological phenomenon," he declared. "The great aggressive war leaders have been the sons of young fathers, whose fathers before them were older men. Alexander The Great, Napoleon oBnaparte and U. S. Grant are among these."

In his research, Redfield has found that the eldest child is lighter in weight, dies at an earlier age and is more apt to become a criminal than any other children in a family.

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CHRISTMAS TREE TO BE GIVEN BY BAPTISTS

Christmas will be celebrated tonight at the First Baptist church when a Christmas tree will feature the social Christmas program being given there. Much interest is being taken in the event and despite the wet weather a large crowd is expected to attend.

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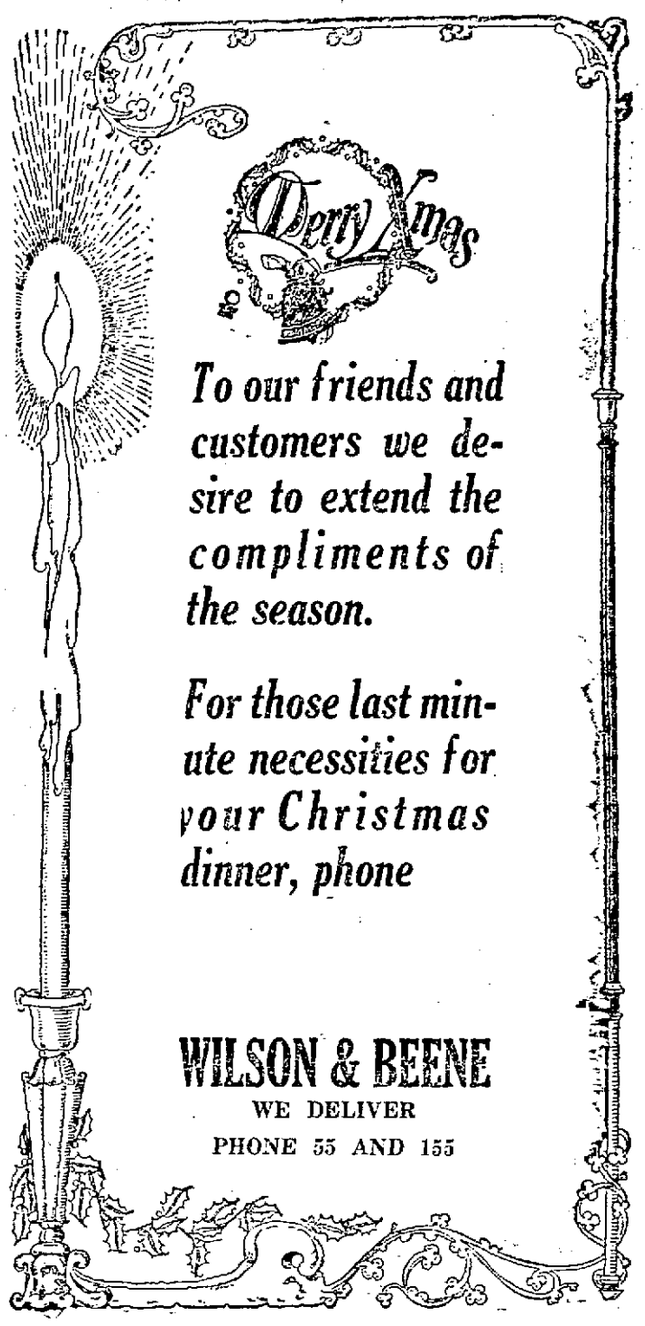

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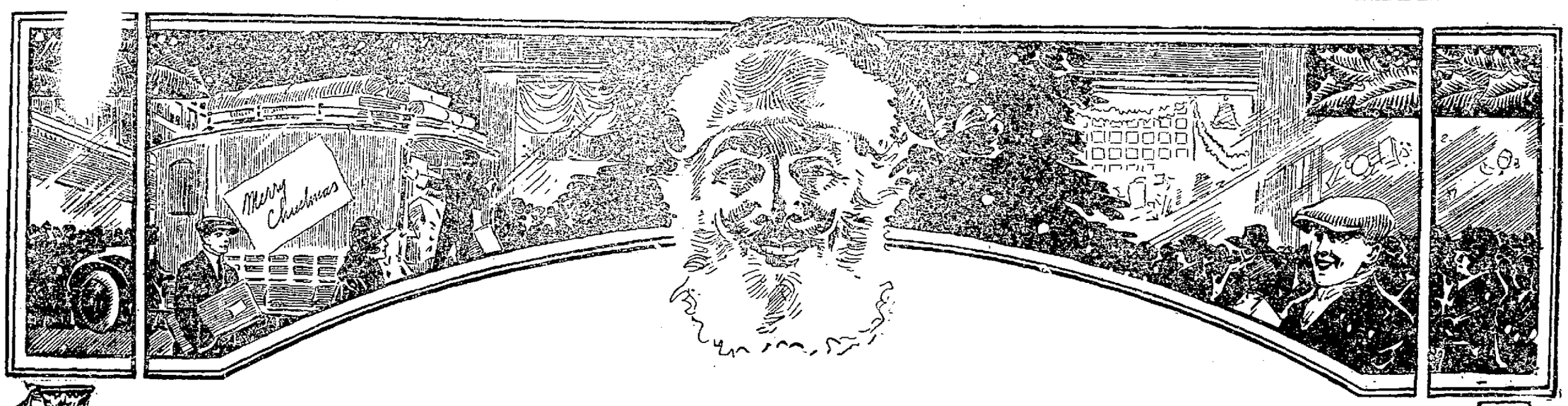

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Martino Knocks Goldstein Out Of Championship

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The lamentations, and "oy oy's" of Abe Abe Goldstein's loyal supporters still reverbrated up the East Side and echoed down the Gaetto today, for Abe's curly locks were knocked clean out from underneath the bantamweight crown by a combinaton of little Eddie Martino of Brooklyn and one of the closest decisions in years.

Eddie, whose backers in the rough and tumble Gowanus section of Brooklyn have dubbed him "Cannon Ball," hammered and slammed Goldstein for fifteen furious rounds in their bout for the bantamweight championship of the world at the Madison Square Garden last night, but when it was all over, at least half the spectators, experts, sports writers and fighters, thot Martino had fallen just short of the mark. Abe himself patted his smaller opponent on the shoulder as Eddie turned away. Then came the referee's announcement that the winner—and new world's champ—was "Eddie" (Cannon Ball) Martino.

The rough, bouncing little Italian who comes from Terry McGovern's district over the birdge, has always had an ambition to emulate the "Terrible" one and his backers are wild with joy over his new title. Martino, or Martin, as he will call it, is a long ways from being a Terry McGovern. But he's a tough little nut at that.

Goldstein, who has held the bantam title only since March, was bitterly disappointed at losing it on a close decision. He pecked and jabbed at Martin throughout the bout and a good bit of the time, succeeded in holding his man at long range. Abe was the cleverer of the two and outboxed Martin, who, if he earned the decsion, did so by the tigerish ferocity of his attack.

Lucky In Wall Street; Unlucky In Love Affair

[By United Press]

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 20.—Lucky in Wall street, unlucky at love.

Osborne H. Wood, son of the Governor-General of the Philippines, who came into prominence through his amazingly successful speculations conducted by cable from Manila a year ago, is to be sued for divorce by his wife, the latter confirmed today.

Moreover, in a statement not untinged with a little bitterness, Mrs. Wood said her young husband who is at present in France, "is not a success financially." And she even intimated she didn't believe he recently had "cleanned up $2,000,000," in the bull market because he had cabled her to send him $16,000.

"Of course, I did not do it," she added.

Mrs. Wood, who is at her father's home in Greenville, Del., said she and her husband had been separated for several months and "I shall start suit for divorce. I do not know where yet, nor do I know on what grounds."

The couple were married in Manila, April 2, 1922, and have two boys. The youngest child was born Nov. 6, this year.

Mrs. Wood, daughter of Henry B. Thompson, wealthy retired manufacturer, met young Wood in Manila while the latter was stationed in the Philippines as aide to his father, General Wood, who was Governor-General of the Islands.

After his marriage, Wood began "playing" the stock market and recently reports were circulated that his marital affairs were not as successful as his financial ones.

Mrs. Wood intimated that her husband's speculations were not as successful as reported from time to time.

Letter Takes 25 Years From Luzon to Beaumont, Tex.

[By United Press]

BEAUMONT, Dec. 23.—After 25 years a letter posted on the Island of Luzon, Philippine Islands, has been delivered.

On November 3, 1899, Lieutenant Dean Thompkins wrote the letter to B. B. Johnson, Beaumont, now county judge.

Since the letter was mailed the Philippines, torn by internal strife, and insurrection, have surrendered, the San Francisco earthquake occurred, Galveston was destroyed and a world war fought and won.

"Thompkins and I were bunkies when we were employed in Galveston," Judge Johnson said. "Where is he now? I don't know."

Dec. 22, 1924.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want totell you the things I would like best, for I have been as good as I knew how. I want a football, train and tracks, a gun, some fire works, fruit, and candy. My little neice, Patsy Thomas, wants a big mama doll that will open and shut here eyes and walk, doll buggy, stove and piano, also fruits, candy, nuts and fire works.

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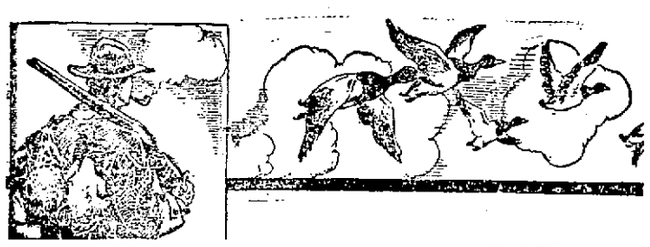

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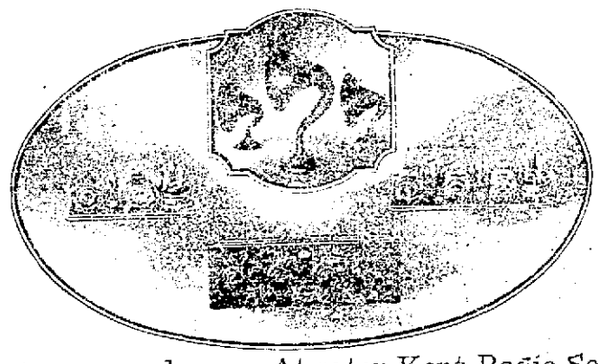

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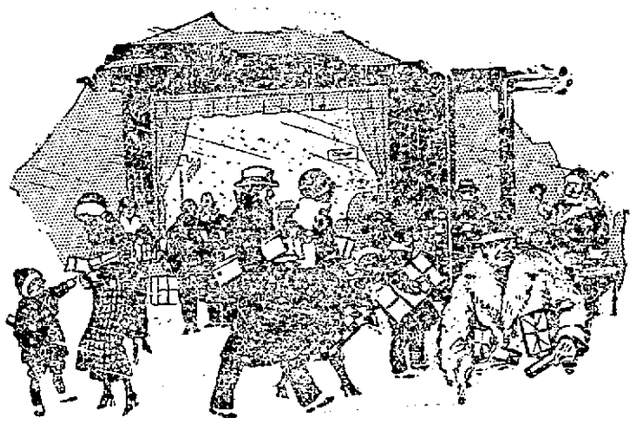

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Soldiers Loose Motor Car Assembly Test

One of the most interesting features of the Air Circus recently held at Crissey Field, California, was the contest between civilians and soldier mechanics in stripping army cars down to the bare frame and reassembling them.

The cars selected were two Dodge Brothers cars, standard equipment in the U. S. Army, built in 1917. The contest rules allowed ten men on each team, but the winning civilian crew—from the service station of the J. E. French Company, the San Francisco Dodge Brothers dealer—numbered only eight men and a foreman.

CARS DISMANTLED.

Each crew stripped its car right down to the bare frame. Engine, transmission, clutch, battery box, fuel tank, radiator, front axle, fenders, running boards, tires, springs and body were removed.

The civilian crew from the J. E. French Company took the lead from the start, dismantling the car in 16½ minutes.

In reassembling ,each crew put in a new engine, new rear axle, new front axle, new fenders and running boards new tires and new springs. Cotter pins were installed wherever required and lockwashers were used on al lother nuts. Inspectors watched each crew to see that every detail was performed in a workmanlike manner. Following the building up, each car was driven across the finish line 200 yards away to demonstrate that it was in running condition. The car of the winning team crossed the line 78 minutes after they started to disassamble it.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE.

"They knew their job and they did it," is the way Fred Ehlers, Jr., service manager for the San Francisco Dealer expressed himself.

"The fact that a team made up of men from an approved service station won this tesa so easily," says the local Dodge Brothers dealer, "is a clear demonstration of the advantage to owners of taking their cars to approved service stations.

"It is only natural that skilled workmen with labor saving tools and accustomed to servicing one make of car exclusiveiy can be depended upon to make adjustments and repairs properly in less time than can mechanics outside of the approved service station."

S. M. U. Ends Meet Real Stars In The W. Va. Wesleyans

A comparison of end play between West Virginia Wesleyan's brilliant eleven and that of Southern Methodist University in forecasting the outcome of the New Year's battle at Fair Park Stadium in Dallas—East vs. Southwest—indicates that the Conference representatives stack up well indeed with Bob Higgins' Bobcats.

Wesleyan's ends are Bullman and Alvis, the former captain of the team with three years' experience, rated as an All-American star, the latter a good wing but a first year player from a small Ohio school. In reserve are Reiter and Brinkman, the latter off last year's squad.

S. M. has as regular ends Bedford and Henry and in reserve Wade, also used as a back-field sub. Bedford is an All-Conference man.

Higgins and Miller evidently like a certain type of end as the poundage runs about the same. There is not three pounds difference between the regulars and Reiter, the lightst, is a 161-pounder.

The Wesleyan wings are smashing types, fast, hard tacklers, capable at pass receiving. But if Wesleyan's ends have not been run successfully this year, neither have S. M. U's to any appreciable extent.

Certainly offensive brilliance this year on the part of any player can not outshine that of Bedford who has been the pass receiver in the Southwest, a good interference pointer, and an all-round star for the team.

Henry has been overshadowed by Bedford but the big fellow is a very consistent player's fair receiver, as fast as Bedford in covering punts, a fine tackler, and an excellent cog in the Mustang style of play. Nor is any power lost if Wade goes to an end, as this youngster from Ferris has proven himself a first class star.

The break in cold weather in Dallas is expected this week and the New Year's game should be played in cold but not icy weather. Seat sale at the Adolphus Pharmacy in Dallas continues to go along at a blithe rate and a big crowd is expected to witness the game.

Miss Ora Lee Wylie, who was operated on for appendicitis at Dr. Brown's Hospital Monday night is doing nicely.

Waxahachie In Grip Clockitis

[By United Press]

WAXAHACHIE, Dec. 23.—"Clockitis" has descended upon Waxahachie and threatens to stop every clock in town.

Telephone operators, judging by the number of "time please" queries they receive, agree unanimously that the epidemic is reaching appalling proportions.

Local jewelers say they have so many busted clocks they can't begin to repair them. The town clock, in its niche in the courthouse, is the only one in town not afflicted but the citizenry gazes up intermittently to see whether ithas become a victim.

Dr. Billy Buckner arrived from Dallas Monday night to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buckner.

TRIES TO BEAT ENGINE; ENGINE WINS; MAN HURT

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 23.—Carroll W. Morrisey, seventy, was struck by a Michigan Central train at a crossing.

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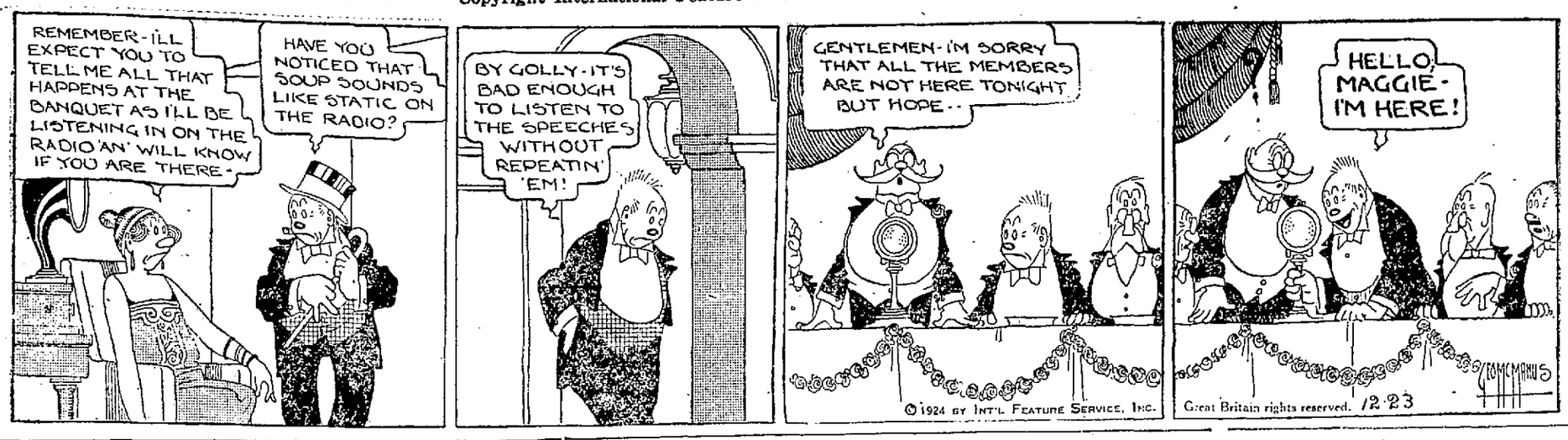
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Forgetfulness No Excuse, Was Fined

[By United Press]

WACO, Dec. 23.—Assistant City Attorney Bill McConnell admitted he was guilty and asked the court to fine him.

Whereupon the court fined him $5 for violation of the boulevard ordinance.

"It was not intentional—the violation wasn't," McConnel said. "I forgot, that's all. But I violated the law and should be punished."

GET BIG WEL IN JIM HOGG COUNTY

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 19.—The third big well for Henne, Winch & Farris (Big Bend Oil Company), discoverers of the Jim Hogg County pool, was added to the list Thursday when their No. 5, located 300 feet south of their No. 3, came in at a depth of 2,005 feet, flowing by heads at the rate of 800 barrels a day. Each succeeding head shows an increase in volume, with indications of making as good production as either of the other two wells.

Henne, Winch & Farris No. 6, 300 feet north of their No. 4, began drilling out the plugs Thursday and will be brought in Friday, making the fourth well for that concern.

Witherspoon's No. 2 well, brought in on Tuesday, and located 300 feet south of the Magnolia No. 1, is reported flowing 2,000 barrels daily. Magnolia's well, brought in Monday, sanded up, but is flowing again and the production increasing.

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Oh! too, I want a colored doll like they have at racket store. I think they are so cut. Don't forget to bring Miss Jenkins, Miss Watson, Miss Ward and Miss Jowell a beau.

Remember Mother and Daddy, the poor little Orphans and brother Andrews. Don't forget anyone Santa Claus, and too, Miss Zena Mae Brice. I'll be an nice little girl.

MARY JANE CROW.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little car that you can make it in to a roadster or a truck a capgun a box of caps five or six roman candles and any other kind of toys you want to bring me good by Santa Claus your little friend, W. C. Wilson Jr.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll bed, cedar chest with some doll clothes in it for my doll, aluminum set of cooking dishes. I want a box of stationary to write my little friend on, my little brother wants a choo-choo train and toy stopper gun and some fire works. Bring all of us some nuts and candies of all kinds. Now Santa I am going to hang up my mamma stocking because mine is not big enough, don't forget all the orphan children, your loving little girl,

BESSIE MAE BARTLETT.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a comb and brush, apples and oranges, then bring the school board a motor bus, so they can bring the little children to school and back. Please don't forget mother and daddy, Grandma, your little girl.

ANNA KATRYN STUBENRAUCH.

HOME BUILDING TO BE POPULAR AFTER JAN. 1.

Local real estate firms report that after January 1, the city will witness a home building campaign of extensive proportions. Many nice homes have been planned and with the advent of a New Year, an army of carpenters will be at work helping to build a bigger and better Mexia. At present six business houses are going up in the business district. Work suspended on them during the freeze has been resumed.

Father of Luther Johnson Dies At Corsicana Home

E. W. Johnson, 81, father of Congressman Luther Johnson of this district, of Corsicana, died at his home Monday night, according to a message received by Albert H. Berry, of this city. The deceased has been an esteemed citizen of Navarro county for the past half a century or longer, coming to Texas from Tennessee. Congressman Johnson, who has been in Washington all the Fall, started home immediately after being apprised of the serious condition of his father, following a stroke of paralysis the latter part of last week. The entire district sympathizes with the bereaved in their great sorrow.

ADVERTISING MANAGER OF MEXIA DAIL NEWS UNDERGOES SUCCESSFUL OPERATION

C. L. Tatum, Advertising Manager of the Mexia Daily News, who was operated on for appendicitis Monday night, is reported to be resting well today, recovering from the successful operation. Mr. Tatum will likely be confined to his bed for the next two weeks. He has a host of friends here who are watching for reports regarding his condition with deep interest. They will be glad to know of the success of the operation. Mr. George Lee is taking his place in the Advertising Department.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Mexia deems it advisable to issue bonds of the said City for the purpose hereinafter mentioned:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas, that an election be held on the 27th day of January 1925, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted:

"Shall the City Commission of the City of Mexia, Texas be authorized to issue the bonds of the City of Mexia, Texas, in the sum of Forty Thousand ($40,000.00) Dollars to become due and payable serially as follows: towit: One Thousand ($1000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, 1926, and One Thousand $(1,000.00) Dollars on the first day of July, of each year thereafter unto and including the year 1966, and bearing interest at the rate of 5½ per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and to levy, assess and collect annually while said bonds, or any of them, are outstanding, a tax on all the taxable property within said City sufficient to pay the current interest on said bonds, and create a sinking fund sufficient to redeem them at maturity, for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the city of Mexia, Texas, under and by virtue of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. S. 1911, and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas."

The said election shall be held at the City Hall, in the City of Mexia, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers of said election, to-wit:

JERRY CASON,
Presiding Officer.

The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 1, Title 18, R. R. 1911 and the constitution and laws of the State of Texas, and only qualified voters who are property tax-payers of said City shall be allowed to vote at said election.

All voters who favor the proposition to issue bonds shall have written or printed upon their ballots, the words:

"For the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the issuance of bonds for the purpose of adding to and improving the waterworks system of the City of Mexia."

The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas regulating General Elections.

A copy of this order, signed by the Mayor of the City of Mexia, attested by the City Secretary, shall serve as proper notice of said election.

The Mayor is authorized and directed to cause said notice of the election to be posted up at the City Hall, and one at the Post Office and one at the Farmers State Bank Corner, all in the City of Mexia, for at lease thirty (30) full days prior to the date of said election.

The Mayor is further authorized and directed to have said notice of election published in some newspaper of general circulation published in said City, and which notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the date of the first publication being not less than thirty (30) full days prior to the date of the election.

E. WATSON,
Mayor, City of Mexia, Texas.
ATTEST:
R. D. MORGAN,
City Secretary, City of Mexia, Texas.
Dec 23 29 Jan 5 12 19 26.

Denatured Alcohol for your radiators at Anderson & Horn Drug Store.

You wreck 'em; we get 'em. Palestine St. Garage. Phone 703.

Smashed bodies and fenders made to look like new. Pat F. Hopkins Wheel and Body Works. Phone 725. W. Milam Street.

Fenders and auto bodies rolled promptly and efficiently. No need to send your work out of town. Pat F. Hopkins Wheel & Body Works, Phone 725. West Milam Street.

F. Theodore Johnson
M. D.
Over the National
Phone 122

John F. Klotz
CIVIL ENGINEER
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KLOTZ HARDWARE CO.
Phone 387, Mexia, Texas.

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a
GEORGE MELFORD
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with
Jacqueline Logan
David Torrence Raymond Griffith
A Paramount Picture

FOR RENT—3 nice bed rooms for men, in private home, on pavement. 734 S. McKinney, phone 332W. 23X2

FOR RENT—Nice bed room for 4 men, gas new house, modern conveniences, 812 E. Carthage, phone 656 J. 23X4

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We offer turkeys for Christmas that we fattened in our own pens, dressed under our personal supervision, and which we guarantee to be satisfactory.

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"The Store with the Goods"
Groceries - Meats - Dressed Poultry - Fresh Eggs - Coal - Feed

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With kindest thoughts and all good wishes for Christmas and throughout the coming New Year

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At this Holiday season we wish to express our sincere appreciation of past favors and wish you and yours a Joyful Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

A. M. Wesson
Jeweler

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STUART'S SCOTCH REVUE
Scotland's Favorite Stars
in a
DANCING - SINGING AND MUSICAL COMEDY IN TWO ACTS
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Musical Revue
Matinee 2:00—Night Shows at 6:00 and 8:30

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